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Old Comrade Passes

DEATH OF BROADSTAIRS CHAIRMAN

Well known in Thanet bowling circles, Mr. George Edward Partridge died suddenly at his home at Crawford-road, St. Peter's, on Sunday.

Sixty-two years of age, Mr. Partridge was enjoying good health until recently, and news of his death came as a shock to his many friends in Broadstairs.

An ex-naval man, Mr. Partridge was chairman of the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association at the time of his death. He had taken a keen interest in the activities of the branch since its formation in 1938 when he was first elected to serve on the committee.

Mr. Partridge served with the Navy during the last war and one of many treasured souvenirs he possessed of his service was the ensign of H.M.S. Formidable, given to him by a signalman when the ship was lost in the English Channel during the early part of the war.

Following his naval service Mr. Partridge became a coastguard for some years, and subsequently he was appointed to H.M. Customs as a local officer.

An enthusiastic sportsman, Mr. Partridge became a member of the Broadstairs Bowls Club soon after he came to the town about ten years ago. He was also a member of the Ramsgate Cycling and Motoring Club and Margate Indoor Bowls Club.

He leaves a widow, one son, one daughter and one grandchild.

Members of the R.N.O.C.A. remaining in Broadstairs will attend the funeral, which will take place at St. Peter's on Thursday afternoon.

OUT OF THE LETTER BAG

"I am always so glad to receive the THANET ADVERTISER, and think it is very wonderful to know you are all carrying on so bravely."—From Bethersden.

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"I do thank you for your kind service which in present circumstances keeps me in touch with much and many of the doings and happenings in my 'home town,' the town of my adoption nearly 45 years ago."—From Tunbridge Wells.

"Thanking you for prompt dispatch. I receive the paper first post every Saturday morning."—From Tonbridge.

CELLAR FIRE

Ramsgate Fire Brigade were called to a slight outbreak of fire at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gummer, of 31 Codrington-road, on Sunday afternoon.

The outbreak started in a cellar but after about half an hour the firemen were able to return to the station.

BLACK-OUT TIMES

To-day	...	11.0 p.m.—4.58 a.m.
Wednesday	..	11.1 p.m.—4.58 a.m.
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Sunday	...	11.3 p.m.—4.57 a.m.
Monday	...	11.3 p.m.—4.57 a.m.

DEATH OF MRS. TOMLIN

LOSS TO ST. PETER'S

The village of St. Peter's suffered a severe loss by the death on Sunday of Mrs. Edith Tomlin, of Dane Court, Dane Court-road.

Mrs. Tomlin passed away at Sylva, West Humble, Dorking, Surrey, where she was staying with her only daughter, Mrs. Faroe-Tomlin.

Aged 86 years, Mrs. Tomlin was a well-known resident at St. Peter's, where she gained many friends, and for many years she was a generous supporter of the Parish Church and the Isle of Thanet Conservative Association, with which she had also been actively connected.

On several occasions she allowed the use of the spacious grounds attached to her residence for social events arranged on behalf of the church. Of a generous and kindly nature, Mrs. Tomlin was always ready to assist others in any way she was able.

She was predeceased some years ago by her husband, Mr. Latham Tomlin, whose family had for a long period been associated with Thanet.

Mrs. Tomlin was the daughter of the late Mark Hildesley Quayle, Clerk of the Rolls of the Isle of Man.

The funeral will take place at St. Peter's on Thursday.

STRINGS OF BEADS

SOLDIERS ON THEFT CHARGE

Gnr. Ronald George Buckley, L. Bdr. Robert Joseph Wood, and Gnr. Aubrey Charles Kempster were charged at Margate police court on Monday with being concerned together in breaking and entering a shop at Fort-road between 24th July, 1940, and 1st May, 1941, and stealing seven powder compacts, 14 strings of beads and other articles, the property of Kate Constance Terrell.

D/C Tinson said that on Sunday he saw Wood by appointment at the police station and told him he was making inquiries about a shop which had been entered during the past few months. At first the man denied all knowledge of it but later admitted that he received some of the articles, although he did not break into the shop. Subsequently he said he took the articles to Mrs. West.

Witness then saw and questioned Buckley, who said "Yes. I got into the shop after dark one evening. I passed the stuff out through the fanlight to Wood, who was standing outside."

When Kempster was interviewed he said "Yes. I was there, but I did not break into the shop. I was on guard duty at the time, and went along to have a look. I saw some beads passed out and then went back to my post to keep a look-out. Later I saw the stuff on Buckley's bed and had a compact and beads."

Defendants were remanded on bail until 18th June.

THANET WEAPONS WEEK TOTALS

When the count had been completed Thanet War Weapons Week total amounted to £393,766.

The final figures were:

Ramsgate—£165,636
Margate—£157,122
Broadstairs—£71,008

The civic heads of the three towns have received telegrams from Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, asking them to congratulate their townspeople on the splendid response.

AIRMAN-TEACHER'S BRIDE

Formerly a member of the teaching staff at St. George's Boys' School, Ramsgate, and now serving with the R.A.F., Mr. Leslie Richard Taylor, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Taylor, of Thornton Heath and formerly of Broadstairs, was married at St. Saviour's Church, West Croydon, at Whitsuntide.

His bride was Miss Nora Gwendoline Springett, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Springett, of St. Peter's.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Percival Smith, who was previously Vicar of St. Peter's.

The bride wore a mediæval gown of ivory crepe de chine, with pearl trimmings and a Mary Stuart headdress and veil. She carried a bouquet a lilies of the valley and red roses.

She was attended by Valerie Taylor, five-year-old niece of the bridegroom, and Arthur Hunt, six-year-old cousin of the bride. Valerie wore a dress of flowered organdie and the boy wore a royal blue velvet suit.

Mr. A. F. Taylor was best man, and the hymn sung was "O Perfect Love." Following the reception Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left for a motoring honeymoon.

PRISONERS OF WAR THANK MARGATE

"Please thank Margate from the bottom of my heart" wrote Corpl. Frank Love, son of Mr. and Mrs. Love of Grange-road, Margate, who is in a prisoner of war camp in Germany. Corpl. Love was acknowledging parcels sent by the Margate Prisoners of War fund, which are despatched regularly by way of the Red Cross to local men in German camps.

Another Margate man who has acknowledged receipt of parcels is Pte. John Tumber, The Buffs, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Tumber, of Birchington.

Interned at Stalag XXA, Pte. Tumber said he had received a letter from the Red Cross stating that Margate was contributing towards the cost of parcels sent to them. "I hope you will thank them through the appropriate channels. You know how very much I appreciate this" he wrote.

WATCH ON RAILWAY

MARRIED MAN'S FOLLY

GOOD CHARACTER JEOPARDISED

As a result of a watch kept on the railway line by two police officers from 12th to 21st May, Thomas Trevor Watkins, aged 34, a mechanic employed by the Southern Railway at Ramsgate, appeared before the magistrates at the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday.

Watkins was fined £5 for exposing himself in a railway carriage, with intent to insult females, at Broadstairs on 21st May.

A Broadstairs married woman said she was going out of the back door of her house, which was about 50 yards from the railway line, when she saw defendant committing the offence at the carriage window. She had seen the same thing previously and thought it was time something was done about it.

Similar evidence was given by Victor Albert Brett, of Norman-road, Broadstairs.

George Alan Dale, detective constable employed by the railway, said that as a result of complaints he kept observation on trains entering Broadstairs from 12th-21st May. At about 4.25 p.m. on 21st May, as a result of a pre-arranged telephone message, he watched the 4.18 train from Margate approach Broadstairs. No one got on the train and no one left it. He caused the train to be delayed a few minutes and D/C Self came on to the platform and went to the carriage occupied by defendant.

Taken to the Booking Office.

Continuing, witness said they took defendant to the booking office, where he said "I was not hurting anyone, only myself. Can't you overlook it this time?"

Later defendant turned to witness and said "Can't you do something, Mr. Dale? I have never done this before. Shall I lose my job over it?"

Corroborative evidence was given by D/C Self, who said there were half a dozen people in the vicinity when he saw defendant at the carriage window.

Watkins handed to the magistrates a written statement in which he said he came to the district in 1936 and worked at Chislet Colliery for a year and a half. He then became a lorry driver at Margate and three years later an A.A. patrol scout. In March, 1940, he joined the Southern Railway as a mechanic. He was one of the first men to enrol in the A.F.S. at Ramsgate but after six months had to give it up on account of the number of hours he worked. He was in charge of a fire squad at Ramsgate and was a member of the Southern Railway Home Guard.

Inspr. Belsey said defendant was a married man with no family. His wife had been in Wales since last June. He was regarded as a man of excellent character and all his employers spoke very highly of him.

"You have jeopardised your excellent character by this foolish action," said the chairman (Mr. J. H. Millar), announcing the decision of the bench.

MILLER—LININGTON

FARMING FAMILIES UNITED

Only daughter of Alderman and Mrs. E. S. Linington, of Dent de Lion, Garlinge, Miss Agnes Daphne Mary Linington was married at St. John's Church, Margate, on Saturday to Mr. Cecil Thomas Miller, of Selson, Eastry, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Miller, of Birchington.

Both bride and bridegroom are members of well-known Thanet farming families and the bride is captain of Garlinge company of Girl Guides. Carrying their colours, the Guides and Guiders met the bride as she left the church, and presented her with a horseshoe and black cat.

The Vicar of Margate (the Rev. D. V. Beckingham) officiated, assisted by the Rev. H. J. F. Bowman, vicar of St. James', Garlinge.

Members of the choir led the singing of the hymns "Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us" and "O perfect love." Mr. H. E. Shallcross, who presided at the organ, rendered the Nuptial March (Alex. Guilmant), "Salut d'Amour" (Elgar), march from "Lohengrin" (Wagner), Schubert's Serenade, and, as the bridal party left the church, Mendelssohn's Wedding March.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white chiffon and satin, with a train and veil, held by a wreath of orange blossom. She carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Attending the bride were Miss Nora Miller (sister of the bridegroom), and Miss Ailsa Montgomery, who wore royal blue chiffon dresses over fuchsia-coloured silk, with floral headdresses and carried bouquets of lupins and delphiniums to shade. Miss Miller received earrings from the bridegroom and Miss Montgomery a dress clasp.

After the ceremony about 80 guests were entertained at Dent de Lion, and later the bride and bridegroom left for a honeymoon in Surrey, the bride travelling in a brown costume with hat to match.

The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a natural hide fitted travelling case, and the bridegroom gave her silver hair brushes.

Mothers whose children are receiving milk under the National Milk Scheme should apply at once to the local Milk Officer for renewal of their permits.

J.P. AND COUNCILLOR

FINED FOR BLACK-OUT BREACHES

A Justice of the Peace and a member of Broadstairs Council were both fined at the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday for breaches of the black-out regulations.

The magistrate, Mr. Albert Horsey, manager of Ramsgate Employment Exchange, who lives at Carlton-avenue, Broadstairs, was fined £2, and the councillor, Mr. Bernard Humphrey, who lives at Westmount, Sea View-road, Broadstairs, was fined 10s.

Mr. Horsey pleaded guilty as occupier of the house but stated that his son was responsible for the light.

P/C Beedle, whose attention was drawn to a bright light coming from defendant's house in Carlton-avenue at 12.15 a.m. on 15th May, said he roused the occupant, who had no explanation to offer.

The Right Thing To Do.

Defendant asked why the person who reported the matter to the constable had not first come to the house to tell him.

The constable replied that the person had reported the matter to the police.

Defendant: That is foolish, of course.

Inspr. Belsey, K.C.C., and the magistrates protested strongly against defendant's remark, and the Clerk (Mr. C. C. Maughan) commented "Your statement is incorrect. The person did the right thing in going to the police."

Defendant explained that the point he wanted to make clear was that if the enemy had been overhead at the time Broadstairs could have been blown to bits during the time from when the light was first seen until the policeman notified him.

He added that he made a point of seeing that the lights were out in his house before retiring. On the previous night to the offence he had been fire-watching and had retired early. When he went round the rooms he did not see the light. Apparently another member of his family had gone into the room, had slipped and switched on the light, which was obscured by a parchment shade. The lamp was also blacked over.

The chairman (Mr. J. H. Millar), announcing the fine, said "It is quite clear that you realise the seriousness of this case by your own remarks."

Councillor's Reflected Light.

Councillor Humphrey pleaded not guilty to allowing a light to shine from a downstairs window of his house in Sea View-road at 10.40 p.m. on 8th May.

S/C Albert Barker, who saw the light when he was patrolling Stanley-road, said he went to the house and knocked twice. He received no reply and was just cycling away when he heard the door open and close again. When he looked back the light had been extinguished.

He returned, knocked again, and this time the door was opened by Mr. Humphrey, who said he had gone to bed before black-out time and thought the light had been turned off.

Witness added that the light was shining through a doorway between two rooms and through the window. He could see the light from a distance of about 40 yards.

P/C Taylor said that, when interviewed the following morning, defendant explained that the light came from a small electric reading lamp which was inside an indoor shelter. He said it was not a direct light but was reflected from the white paint.

Witness accompanied defendant to the indoor shelter, which he said was painted white. The shelter was an annexe to the kitchen. There was no doubt that the light was reflected from the white paint.

Defendant said he retired before black-out time and went down to the shelter later to fetch something. He left the light on because he thought he was going down again. He did not think the light was visible from the air because it was about 23 feet from the window.

The Magistrates' Clerk said sometimes reflected lights were as bad as direct lights.

MARGATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Married at St. Matthew's Church, Bayswater, in 1891, Mr. Henry Charles Harvey and his wife, Mrs. Anne Harvey, founders of Harvey's Hotel, Canterbury-road, Margate, celebrated their golden wedding on Friday.

Well-known in Margate, Mr. Harvey, who is 72 years of age, is at present employed at Slough and his wife, who is two years younger, is living in Essex. This is the first time during their married life that they have been so far apart.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey visited Margate last week.

WARDENS HELP WAR WEAPONS

Over 400 people had their gas masks tested at the warden's post at Ramsgate's War Weapons Week exhibition.

Ramsgate's full-time A.R.P. wardens did much to contribute towards the success of the week, and besides being on duty to advise the public on A.R.P. matters at the exhibition post—which was the work of Mr. T. J. Johnson—they assisted financially, the total invested by the wardens' savings group amounting to £526 7s.

A football match arranged by Mr. G. Baker raised £10 5s., tickets to the value of £79 16s. were sold, and a competition arranged in connection with a football signed by Mr. George Allison and members of the Arsenal football team raised £6 10s. 10d.

POLICE DEFIED

NURSE VISITS SOLDIER

PLEASURE TRIP TO RAMSGATE

There was a heated exchange of words between the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe), who presided, and the Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

The difference of view arose during the hearing of a case in which a young probationer nurse paid a visit to a married man, serving in the Army in a Defence Area, and ignored the instructions of a police officer to return the following day.

It was stated that the young woman spent the night in an empty house on the cliff.

Ita Kathleen Rayner, aged 20, a probationary nurse, of West Park Hospital, Epsom, Surrey, was summoned for entering Ramsgate for the purposes of pleasure on 21st May.

The soldier whom she visited, Sergt. William Baird, aged 27, was summoned for aiding and abetting.

The young woman pleaded not guilty and Baird, who was stated to have been moved to another district, did not respond when his name was called.

Met by Soldier.

W/R Ludiman said that at 7 p.m. on 21st May he was on duty at Dumpton Park railway station when defendant alighted from a London train. He asked for her identity card, which bore an address in Huntingdonshire. He asked her why she had come and she said she was visiting a friend, who was serving in the Army. A soldier had come to meet the train and he said he was the girl's friend.

Witness said as the young woman could not get back to London the same night he told her she would be allowed to remain the night but must return the following morning.

P/S Ticehurst said he saw defendant in the waiting-room at Dumpton station at 6.40 on the morning of 23rd May. He asked her why she had not returned the previous day in accordance with the instruction given by the police officer and she said she would have been unable to get back that night and did not want to spend a night in London. She was not due back at the hospital until 1 p.m. that day and if she had got back sooner questions would have been asked. She said she spent the night in an empty house on the sea front. Sergt. Baird had not told her that Ramsgate was in a defence area and she said he should have told her she could not come.

The Mayor: Quite right.

Duty of the Individual.

The Chief Constable said people should make enquiries before visiting coastal towns as to whether they were in a defence area. The duty was on the individual and it was not for other people to advise them. Defendant was advised to return the following day but did not do so.

In reply to the Mayor, defendant said she came from Cannon-street station and when she asked for her ticket she was not told that Ramsgate was in a defence area.

The Mayor (addressing the Chief Constable): I think personally they should tell people they are not allowed to go into these areas. I should like to tell you that one of your officers tried to stop my own daughter from coming back here.

The Chief Constable: I respectfully submit that has nothing to do with the matter and should not be brought up at this court in connection with this case. I shall ask for the ruling of your Clerk in this case.

The Mayor: It is a matter of expression.

The Chief Constable said the regulations were generally known for there had been prosecutions in many towns. Defendant would not have been prosecuted had she accepted the advice of the police officer and gone back the following day. He did not blame the young woman so much but if the man had been present in court he would have had more to say.

Police Defied.

Continuing, the Chief Constable said there were boards and notices at railway stations warning passengers about visiting defence areas. The individual should find out first whether the area they intended visiting was a defence area. It could not be expected that the Government should post notices everywhere. The regulation governing defence areas was a cabinet measure and the instructions were quite clear. The subject had been given a tremendous amount of publicity and from the large number of letters he received he knew that the regulations generally were known.

The Chief Constable said defendant came to Ramsgate to visit a married man and had no excuse for entering the area. She was advised to go back the following day but defied the police.

"I ask the bench to support me in this matter," said the Chief Constable. "If the War Cabinet decides that these measures are to be enforced I, as an instrument of the law, must try and see they are enforced. Whether you like it or not I ask you to support me. Unless these directions are complied with you might as well not have them at all.

The Mayor: I do say it would simplify matters a lot if people were told at the beginning of their journey.

The Chief Constable replied it was a matter for the individual and not for the Government.

The Mayor: I have expressed my opinion.

Liberal Interpretation.

The Chief Constable: I have never prosecuted anyone unless there has been defiance. I have interpreted the regulation more liberally than in other places. If this is going to be the outcome I shall take a different line and try and enforce it more strictly.

Asked by the Assistant Clerk (Mr. E. A. Knight) why she did not return as advised by the police officer, defendant said she did not think it mattered.

Announcing that she would be fined £1, the Mayor, addressing defendant, said "It won't enhance your reputation. You were told to return the next day and did not do so."

Asked if she wanted time to pay, defendant replied "I refuse to pay."

The Mayor: You don't want to ruin your future by getting into worse trouble. We will give you one month to pay. You take my tip and pay up. Will you do that?

Defendant: Yes.

It was announced that the case against Baird would be adjourned for a week and steps would be taken to see that he attended the hearing.

MRS. HAYWARD'S LOSS

HUSBAND'S DEATH AT RANGOON

The sympathy of many friends in Ramsgate will be extended to Mrs. Barbara Hayward, daughter of the late Councillor and Mrs. J. L. Clancy, in the loss she has sustained by the death at Rangoon, Burma, of her husband, Mr. Allen William Hayward.

Mr. Hayward, who was 46 years of age, died from dysentery on Friday after a short illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayward had lived for some years at Hong Kong and Shanghai but when her husband returned to the East two years ago Mrs. Hayward, owing to the critical world situation, remained in England with her two sons. The elder son, an old boy of St. Lawrence College and Chatham House School, Ramsgate, is now serving in the Army and the younger, though still a schoolboy, has been helping his mother at her fire-watching duties during heavy incendiary raids in the neighbourhood of her London residence.

Mr. Hayward was a brilliant cricketer and when home on leave played occasionally in Thanet.

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The Court Collector (Mr. E. A. Knight) said the sum was due to a trade union. He had received a letter from the solicitors acting for the union in which they said they were not satisfied with the manner in which Webb was treating the matter. For the four years ending 31st December, 1940, Webb had worked 126 weeks out of a possible 208 and his payments under the order amounted to only a penny a week.

Mr. Knight said that since 10th March Webb had paid £1 12s.

Webb denied that he had worked the number of weeks stated. He had 126 stamps on his card but he often had his card stamped when he did one or two days' work a week. He had been treated shamefully by the union and would not owe them a penny unless he could help it. At the present time he was earning about £4 a week.

Defendant was advised to keep up the payments.

MINER AND HIS MOTHER

Stated to be earning an average of £5 4s. 7d. a week at Chislet Colliery, Phillip Walker, of Mill-cottages, Grange-road, was summoned at Ramsgate police court on Monday for being £1 3s. 6d. in arrears under an order for the payment of 5s. a week in respect of the maintenance of his mother, Mrs. Mabel Walker.

Mr. E. F. Webb, Assistant Public Assistance Officer, said the order for the payment of 5s. a week was made by the magistrates on 2nd May. Defendant had paid only one sum of 5s.

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POULTRY

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MINSTER CONGRATULATIONS

Minster Weapons Week Committee was congratulated at the monthly meeting of the Parish Council, on Tuesday, on the splendid result achieved.

Although the Council were unanimous in thanking the committee, Councillor Mrs. F. K. Harris protested at the fact that the committee included only one member of the Council.

"I would like to know why we knew so little of the week," said Mrs. Harris. "We could have been better represented, for it just seemed as if we had been wiped out of existence. We are the Council, and we want to do something for the parish."

The chairman, Councillor G. M. Norton, who was the only Councillor serving on the Weapons Week Committee, pointed out that the week was arranged in a minimum of time, with the result that a committee was formed of those who volunteered to undertake the work.

Minster was not a wealthy place, and he thought is was something of which to be proud to know that they had raised £6,500.

TABLE TENNIS

In a four-a-side match at the Racing Greyhound, Ramsgate, on Wednesday, a Ramsgate team beat an Army team by 11 games to five.

The match provided some of the best games seen in Ramsgate for some time, and the games were much more evenly fought than the result suggests. Particularly outstanding was the fine play of W. Tucker who won all his four games for the Army.

Detailed results:

Ramsgate: A. Burley 3-1; D. Molock 3-1; G. Clayton 3-1; F. Ambers 2-2.

Army: W. Tucker 4-0; R. Davis 1-3; C. Ward 0-4; A. Boyd 0-4.

BUFFS CASUALTIES

Buffs casualties included in the latest War Office lists are:

Died: Pte. A. J. Bruett.

Wounded: Pte. P. O'Reilly.

MISSING FROM HOOD

COUNCIL OFFICIAL BELIEVED KILLED

Sglmn. Gordon Hollis, formerly a member of Margate Borough Treasurer's staff, who was serving on H.M.S. Hood, is reported "missing, believed killed."

Sglmn. Hollis, who was 28 years of age, came of a Portsmouth family. He joined Margate Borough Treasurer's staff when the borough was extended five years ago, having previously served with the Isle of Thanet Rural District Council.

Entering the Navy last November, Sglmn. Hollis was posted to the Hood, his first ship, about a month ago.

Sglmn. Hollis' mother is now living at Ealing.

ON THE MAXIMUM

FIRE CHIEF'S SALARY

Although he was appointed only a year ago, the Chief Officer of Ramsgate Fire Brigade (Mr. F. Wain) is to be put on his maximum salary of £450 per annum.

The Chief Officer was appointed at a salary of £400 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10 to a maximum of £450.

Mr. Wain is due for his first increment on 6th July next, stated the report of the Watch Committee, presented at a meeting of the Town Council on Thursday, and in view of the fact that the Council's war-time bonus scheme does not apply to salaries in excess of £400 he will be financially worse off by proceeding in the normal way on the increment scale.

In view of these circumstances the committee recommended that the Chief Officer be placed on his maximum salary as from 6th July.

The recommendation was adopted without comment.

A.R.P. OFFICER TAKES OVER

Major H. J. Martin, newly-appointed Ramsgate A.R.P. Officer, took up his duties on Wednesday.

The report of the A.R.P. Committee, presented at a meeting of the Town Council on Thursday, stated that Major Martin, formerly A.R.P. Officer at Farnham, was appointed at a salary of £400 per annum and is to receive a car allowance of £50 per annum.

Other applicants for the post interviewed by the committee were Capt. Guy Evans, Mr. S. B. Gravenall and Mr. H. Shead.

Welcoming Major Martin at Thursday's meeting the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) said he would not express the hope that the officer would be kept busy, but he would find Ramsgate quite a hectic place to live in.

Replying to questions by Councillor W. L. Knibbs, the chairman of the A.R.P. Committee (Councillor A. R. Young) said Major Martin was told before his appointment that the chief clerk in the A.R.P. Office, who resigned, was not being replaced. There was no written contract to retain his services in Ramsgate.

A GREAT MAN IN EDUCATION

A tribute to the late Councillor W. F. Hiscock, first headmaster of Pettman Central School, was paid by the chairman (Alderman W. C. Redman) at the June meeting of Margate Education Committee.

Mr. Hiscock's name, said Alderman Redman, would be linked with others such as Florence, Bondfield and Mrs. Pleydell in the educational history of the town.

Mr. Hiscock built up a great tradition at the Central School and a fine tribute was paid to him last year in a broadcast talk by Mr. W. J. Brown, secretary of the Civil Service Clerical Association.

"It is very rare that you hear a man spoken of over the wireless in the way Fred Hiscock was spoken of," said Alderman Redman. "But we who knew him were not surprised. He was a power for good in the town. Perhaps the best evidence of that is the great affection in which his memory is held by the boys of the school. We have lost a great man in education—one who loved the job for the job's sake—and our town is the poorer by his passing."

BUTCHER'S GOLDEN WEDDING

Married at St. Paul's Church, Ramsgate, on 7th June, 1891, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Danton, of Dumpton Park-road, celebrated their golden wedding on Saturday.

Mr. Danton is still living in Ramsgate, but owing to the war his wife is at present at Pembury near Tunbridge Wells.

A familiar figure at Sandwich, Canterbury and Ashford markets, Mr. Danton is well-known in the butchering trade being in business in Chatham-street, for some years. Two of his sons are also butchers.

Born in the town Mr. Danton began work when he was ten years of age, being employed by Mr. Thomas of Chatham-street and Mr. Jennings of King-street. At an early age he was a slaughterer.

Two of Mr. and Mrs. Danton's four sons are dead, one being killed in the last war. There are two daughters.

REFERRED TO HOME OFFICE

The question of the payment of £150 per annum to Ramsgate Borough Surveyor (Mr. R. D. Brimmell) in connection with his duties as Fire Co-ordinating Officer, has been referred by the Senior Regional Officer to the Home Office "for sympathetic consideration."

OUR SHORT COMPLETE STORY

BLACK MEDICINE

By LAWRENCE G. GREEN

Three blasts on the siren quivered through the breathless morning as I sweated down to the river steamer's gangplank, saw my carriers on board with the baggage, and found my cabin. It is unwise to hurry in the deadly climate of the Upper Congo. As the stern-wheel flurried into action and drove the ship into mid-stream I dropped on to a bed and lay gasping.

"Zut! One moment later, mon ami, and you would wait one week for ze next ship," came a pleasant voice from the other bed. The cabin, darkened against the heat, had obscured him.

"Pardon monsieur—it was a close thing. I was lucky." Then I saw that he was opening a bottle of mineral water, offering me a glass. I pulled the curtain aside and drank gratefully. His kindly action seemed to draw some of the sweltering heat away; he had a soothing presence, an impression which was confirmed when I saw the white letters painted on his box—Dr. Jean Dumont.

"You smoke, doctor?" I offered my cigarettes.

"Too much," he replied promptly. "Yet I will take of your Engleesh cigarettes, for in zis grotesque country one must indulge a leetle, just a leetle, if one is to survive."

He was a bulky man nearing 40, I thought, wearing a thick tweed suit, with a gigantic sun-helmet beside him. As he puffed out the smoke he revealed the red and volatile face of a comedian. Thus an African explorer might be travestied on the Paris stage. With that ridiculous helmet, and that round face, the audience would be assured of good humour.

"I go to Urundi province," announced the doctor. "They say there is need of doctors in that part—native labourers for ze copper mines mus' be examined. And you, monsieur?"

"All the way down the river to Matadi. There I catch the French mail boat for Europe."

"For Europe," he repeated wistfully. "Ah, then pairhaps you will go to Paris?"

"Certainly. I would not miss Paris."

The doctor's expressive face twitched. "Zat is my 'ome—Paris. When will I see Paris again?"

"When are you due for leave, doctor—not such a long spell in this climate, surely?"

"For me, there is no leave," replied Doctor Dumont. "You think, perhaps, a doctor takes his great fees and becomes rich, here in Congo. But a doctor must find work, like any other man. I have no post, no practice. Zis is for me a gamble. I come to ze Congo and look for some work. In Urundi maybe I find it."

A bell sounded, and the doctor's face changed instantly from a mass of woe-begone lines to the confidence of an optimist.

"Lonch!" he exclaimed. "Even here, in Congo, we can enjoy ze pleasures of ze cuisine. Zat is, if ze steward is a good one."

Refreshing Interlude.

The steward was an attentive Belgian with a promising menu card and a small but satisfactory wine list. But my eyes passed from the card soon enough, when the other passengers entered the saloon. At a glance, the girl was revealed as an American—a blonde with rather a long face, but well shaped, and the typical, unruffled beauty of her race. Blue eyes and a yellow dress drew one's attention away from the food on a hot and wheezing Congo steamer.

The thin man who followed her made everything clear in hearty American fashion. "I am Victor G. Alden, of New York, dragged round the world by my daughter Barbara. Glad to know you, doctor. Pleased to meet you, sir. Now stooard, if that ice-box of yours is going, we'll have some lager and try to forget the thermometer—round about the 100 mark, eh Barbara—and the mosquitoes."

"My father," said Barbara Alden, "is not a very good traveller."

"Nope," agreed Alden. "And after this crazy journey is over, Wall-street will be hot enough for me. Put me back beside a ticker machine with the fan on and the prices coming through, and I'll forget there was a Congo. Good health friends—we need it in this country."

Yet in spite of Alden's humorous grumbling, the lunch was a refreshing interlude. I think everyone in the saloon ignored for a time the green river scenery, palms and tropical bush, that look so well on a poster and weary the eyes so quickly when they move past, mile after mile.

As we sat there with ice in our glasses and the inevitable stewed fowl of Africa before us, the steamer thumped along to the tune of her wood-fired boilers and the mad tattoo of her stern paddle. She was taking us away from railhead, into a land where one might cover a hundred miles without sight of another white face. Traders there would be, at lonely halts along this glaring, narrow, winding waterway of the Upper Congo. Certainly we would find mission stations and outposts of government, each with a solitary administrateur in charge. But between such places, the Africa we saw was the land of Stanley and Livingstone, still dark and threatening, cut off from the comfortable world outside.

During the hot afternoon the steamer slowed and came to rest alongside a rickety landing stage. The doctor persuaded me to walk on shore while the deck hands flung wood fuel on board. It was an effort, but I went.

And then I was glad, for I saw the mind of the scientist behind the comic mask of the doctor's face. His alert eyes had detected something, amid a group of natives on the bank; a queer scene I would have missed.

Jungle Surgery.

There was a man who had gashed his arm with one of the machetes used for chopping timber. Peering over the doctor's shoulder, I felt an inward uneasiness. The man's companions were applying huge black ants to the wound. The ants were alive—I had met those ants before and remembered their vicious bite.

"Surgery of ze jungle," remarked Doctor Dumont. "Not so bad for savages, eh? See, ze ants grip the skin. They draw together ze cut. Now each ant is nipped off, leaving ze pinchers behind. Ze wound is closed, just as if needle and thread had been used."

I was glad to move away, back to the deck awnings. Barbara Alden had been watching us. "You surely found some amusement on shore, doc," she greeted us. "Black magic?"

"A small piece of surgery," replied Doctor Dumont. "But in Africa it is always possible to learn something new. Black medicine—yes, pairhaps. I am not too proud to learn from ze savage."

That night, when a breeze mercifully cooled the overheated ship, Doctor Dumont told me more. He had found a favourite champagne in the steward's ice-box, and a glass or two of this Montebello 1900 had brought out all his Parisian gaiety. He was no longer an exile, but a philosopher who could meet all life's ordeals with his own wit and ingenuity. Soon his difficulties would be over. He was certain the mining company would engage his services; and then, after a fascinating term of service in the great laboratory of Africa, he would return with his savings to Paris.

Then it was that I heard something I should not have guessed—this middle-aged man's romance. It is not only the keen young man who goes out to the tropics to find a career for the sake of a waiting girl. But the young man can afford to be patient. Doctor Dumont, with his vision of a pair of dark eyes in Montparnasse, feared the years and grudged even the months that had to be lived before he could secure the money he had set himself to earn.

If he could obtain 100,000 francs, I gathered, there was a safe practice which he could buy. Not in the most fashionable quarter of Paris, he hastened to inform me; but a practice which would give him, and Yvonne, all they desired.

"It will be lonely—I shall be like a gorilla eating in ze trees," laughed Doctor Dumont. "Yet I have something in view, and life cannot be insupportable while a man still looks forward to a certain happiness."

He was a brave man, that middle-aged Doctor Dumont; and when our roads parted I was sorry. There came an evening when we sat in cane chairs, I and Dumont and the Aldens, drinking a little sadly to the chance that had flung us all together for a few days near the centre of Africa, and was now to send us off again as casually as scraps blown by the wind. I had to take the train round the cataracts and join another steamer bound for Stanley Pool. Dumont would pick up carriers, or a motor car, and reach Urundi after much hard travelling. The Aldens were going eastwards, across the lake, down to the Indian Ocean.

"Bon santé," said Dumont, gravely.

"Here's how—and don't forget to look me up if you come to New York," joined in Alden gravely.

Yet I went off never expecting to see one of them again. Before I left the ship, I wrapped up a bottle of the Montebello 1900 and gave it to Dumont. "If you find Africa smothering you, draw the cork and find inspiration in the wine," I told him. "Keep it until you feel you really need it."

It was a weary journey down to Matadi, and though I had fellow travellers there were no more Barbara Aldens, no second Doctor Dumont. Of course I could have caught the air liner at Stanleyville and covered in a day the long stretch of river that lasted a painful week in the steamer. But the air fare was high, I had come to see the country; also, to tell the truth, it seemed to me that there had been too many accidents on that run.

I saw the twin funnels of the French mailboat as signs of civilization at last. Here, indeed, was a different world. The monotonous black faces had vanished; I could listen to an orchestra as I dined, and take my coffee in a Louis XIV drawing-room.

Yet we were still in Africa, at rest between the high banks of the Congo at Matadi, delayed until the morning because the air mail was late. But I was content. There were no rats or mosquitoes in my cool deck cabin. I had put Africa behind me, and I was in France.

Africa was not to be thrust aside so easily, I found. Sleepless at midnight, I turned on the restful light by my head, found a cigarette, and lay wondering where Doctor Dumont rested that night. I wished I had taken his address in Paris. That is the mockery of travel; one glimpses other lives and plays a part in unfinished chapters of them; then one passes on with curiosity and sympathy aroused, but seldom satisfied.

Daybreak brought sleep, and it was late when I entered the saloon for the meal of coffee and rolls that all good Frenchmen attend in their pyjamas. Evidently the air mail had come through from Leopoldville with the first crack of dawn. There were new people in the saloon, and as I found a seat I gazed astounded into the merry face of Doctor Dumont.

As I grasped his hand the siren went, the steamer swung out from the wharf and headed for the sea.

"How am I here? It is ze good fortune for which I must thank you," exclaimed the beaming Dumont. "Come—first ze cafe, zen a cigarette on deck and I explain myself."

The Girl and the Cobra.

Many cigarettes went into the yellow Congo as Doctor Dumont explained. If it had been night, with liqueurs at hand and the sorcery of the darkness to aid his weird narrative, I could not have been more deeply impressed. Strangely it rang on the ears in glaring daylight.

"You remember, of course, ze young Barbara Alden," began Dumont. "Ze slender young lady—zat is important. But I make no mystery of ze business. At night, zat same night you have leave us, zis beautiful young lady walk along ze river bank and encountered a cobra. Formidable, eh? It is a spitting cobra, aiming always a spray of poison at ze eyes. Zen, when she is blinded, ze cobra rush in and bite. Two punctures I find in ze ankle."

I could picture the scene easily enough as Dumont went on. The girl shrieking, carried on board in terror, not only of her life, but of losing her sight. Victor G. Alden imploring the doctor to save her. Doctor Dumont, with only a few simple drugs and instruments in his bag.

"For that was my terrible position, mon ami— no serum. I have need of a laboratory for such a case, ze serum that conquers snake venom like ze sun melting ze snow. Well, I do my best."

He gave details; the ligature above the bites, a painful tourniquet that brought to his mind the fear of gangrene. He washed out her burning eyes with permanganate of potash, incised the poisoned area of the leg, and rubbed in crystals.

Then the adrenalin for the heart, while he felt the struggle was going against him. The swelling and discoloration became alarming. From her agony the girl passed into a sinister drowsiness.

"So slender," repeated Doctor Dumont. 'No spare tissue to resist ze venom. Ze action is rapid. When she sleep I am afraid she will die."

"What did you do then?"

"I go to my cabin—to think. For a while I remain there. Zen I walk quickly to ze native village where ze ship have stopped. I say to ze people, 'Where is your snake man—your witch-doctor?' For, as you know, my friend, I have ze open mind, and it was a position most desperate."

"You found him?"

"Oui. A queer old fellow wiz snakes in ze hut—a veritable wizard. In zat man's box of tricks, I say to myself, are ze roots of our civilized medicine. I explain in haste, and ze old man understand. Zen I return quick wiz leaves of some jungle plant. I place leaves on ze bites, and I boil up more leaves and bathe ze poor eyes. So simple—but it is ze cure. One day passes—ze young Mademoiselle Alden can see perfectly, she can walk, ze deadly venom have vanished."

"That was good work, doctor."

He shrugged. "Zat was just Africa. But now I come to my own good fortune, for which I say I must thank you. Zat Monsieur Alden is full of gratitude, and he hand me an envelope. 'Your fee, doctor,' he say. 'Open it when I have gone.' I think to myself, it will be a good fee, for he is a stockbroker, extremely rich. But figure my surprise, mon ami, when I find bank notes and a cheque, a fee of seven thousand dollars! When I see that I am finished with Africa, I catch ze avion at Stanleyville. I am here. And soon I am wiz Yvonne, in Paris."

"And why must you thank me?"

"For your gift that gave me ze incredible idea to consult a witch-doctor. It was not my brain—but your champagne. When I was defeated I opened ze bottle. And now to return so magnificent a present."

He pressed a bell. "Garcon! A bottle of Montebello, 1900."

THE END

The characters in this story are entirely imaginary. No reference is intended to any living person or to any public or private company.

CHEAP LABOUR

CHILDREN EXPLOITED AT MARGATE

The exploitation of a number of children of school age who have not been evacuated was alleged at the June meeting of Margate Education Committee.

The chairman (Alderman W. C. Redman) announced that steps would be taken to see that by-laws made under the Children and Young Persons Act were enforced.

The Director of Education (Mr. J. C. Aspden) reported that evidence had recently come to light that a number of children under school-leaving age in the borough were being employed. In some cases the employers were actually exploiting the children by taking advantage of the fact that the labour available was greatly in excess of the number of vacancies, and they were thus in a position to obtain very cheap labour.

It was a regrettable state of affairs, for, by accepting their services, employers were definitely encouraging the children to remain in the town, irrespective of their safety and the Government's policy of evacuation. In addition, the employment of such children had had an unsettling effect upon children of similar age who had been evacuated, and who, on hearing that their friends were earning wages, became anxious to share those so-called advantages. The employer, by acting in contravention of the by-laws, was liable to prosecution.

Section 3 of the by-laws, stated the report, was the section which was being seriously contravened.

This section explicitly stated that no child should be regularly employed in the sale or delivery of milk or newspapers, in carrying or delivering goods or parcels, in connection with any shop or stall, in agricultural work, in any coal yard or in industrial work at home, except subject to certain conditions. The conditions included sending written notification, with full details, to the local authority.

Alderman Redman said the committee were a little perturbed at the number of children of school age who had been seeking employment and obtained it in the borough. In some cases it was the children's own fault that they were employed through over-stating their age. In one recent case an employer made a boy leave when he discovered his correct age.

HOSPITAL INVESTMENT

Donations to Ramsgate General Hospital extensions fund in April and May, amounting to £32 4s. 6d. were invested in the P.O. Savings Bank as a contribution to Ramsgate's War Weapons Week.

By the sale of small Spitfire emblems made by 24 members of the A.F.S., at Dame Janet School a gift of £5 5s., representing war savings gift tokens for seven units, was also presented to the appeal fund.

The May contributions included £15, dividend on 3 per cent. Defence Bonds; £1 Mr. G. W. Simmers (Welcombe, near Bude); 15s. 6d., Three Evacuees at Hampstead; 10s. 6d. Mrs. J. W. Chapman (Dorking), Miss E. C. Austen (Dorking); 5s., Miss B. Finnis (Dorking).

The sum of £2 2s. was also received from Mr. William James Austen, being payment under a deed of covenant.

The extension fund now stands at £10,194 4s. 9d.

SALVAGE OFFICER

The Senior Regional Officer of the Ministry of Health has approved the appointment by Ramsgate Town Council of a salvage officer at a salary of £5 a week.

The appointment will be subject to review at the end of three months.

Approval has also been given for the provision of eight electric siren heaters at an estimated cost of £91 14s. and the provision of a warden's post at Whitehall-road at a cost not to exceed £100.

ENGLAND—Who Made Her?

A NEW PARLOUR GAME

By GEORGE A. BIRMINGHAM

I have found a new parlour game. It is played without any apparatus. Not even pencils and paper are required. The players need not be clever. All that is wanted is an elementary knowledge of English history. It can easily last a whole evening or even more for it gives rise to interesting, though never temper-straining, discussions.

Oddly enough I discovered this game by studying a stained glass window in the church which I have the honour to serve, the very last place perhaps, except an operation theatre, in which one would expect to find something cheerful or amusing.

Instead of the familiar saints in long coloured robes, this window contains the portraits of eight English worthies, chosen for the sake of the services they rendered to England, each in his own profession and in his own age. There is an ecclesiastic, a sailor, a soldier, a man of letters, a musician, a scientist, a philanthropist, and a man who is meant, I think, to represent the journalists, though one would hardly give that name to him. The game consists in making a list and then defending it against the players whose lists are totally different.

The ecclesiastic is perhaps the most difficult choice of all. England has not produced religious leaders to be compared with Gregory the Great, Francis of Assisi or Martin Luther in their influence on the religious life of Christendom or even their own country. Thomas à Becket might be chosen, but his influence passed away after a time. John Wesley is a candidate for first place. There is something to be said for Laud, and perhaps more for Cranmer whose translation of the old Latin collects produced a long and lasting effect. The designer of my window chose William of Wyckham. Was he right or wrong? It is quite arguable that the founder of Winchester and New College was more an educationalist than a churchman.

The Daring of the Navy.

The choice of a sailor seems easier. Nelson leaps to the mind at once. The poet Campbell ranked Blake along with him—"Where Blake and mighty Nelson fell." There are scores of others to whom the navy of to-day owes a good deal of its greatness. I can imagine a claim for Sir Richard Grenville as the greatest example of the unconquerable spirit. My window has Drake, not because he won the greatest and most important sea-battles, for the Armada glory is not wholly his; but because he created a tradition of daring, adventure and skill which survives to this day as characteristic of the navy.

The designer of my window was more concerned with origins than actual accomplishments. Perhaps he was right. But in his choice of a soldier he seems to me to have pushed his principle too far. Instead of Marlborough, Wellington or even Cromwell, he chose Sir Philip Sidney. Now Sidney can hardly be regarded as a great soldier. Yet perhaps he deserves his place for the sake of his gift of water to the wounded soldier on the field of Zutphen. Was that the beginning of the spirit of self-sacrifice which ennobles our army and the firmly fixed tradition that the higher the rank the greater the obligation to sacrifice? The officer must, in time of crisis, give way to the man.

The Man of Letters.

For the man of letters my window chooses Chaucer. Surely with such names as Shakespeare, Milton and Wordsworth in mind he chose wrongly. And yet—here we have his ruling idea again—would even Shakespeare have been, or English literature be what it is, if Chaucer had not set it going on the path it has followed? I doubt the wisdom of this choice but there is something to be said for it, some pleasant field for discussion opened up.

When we come to the musician we reach at last a name about which there is not likely to be much difference of opinion. We should all, almost certainly and on all grounds, fix on Purcell. His epitaph in the Abbey is a recognition which we shall all gladly endorse. Here alone, probably, however many players of the game there are, all lists will agree.

In the choice of a scientist I should feel myself completely at sea. In the first place the term is a vague one and might cover anyone from Sir Isaac Newton to James Watt. Besides, I am quite incapable of assessing the value of the contributions of scientists to the value and pleasures of life—English life. Only of one thing I am sure, I should not have chosen, as my window does, Harvey; and yet perhaps his discovery of the circulation of blood in the human body has done as much for us as anything else has.

Enduring Philanthropy.

When we come to the philanthropist we find ourselves again up against our window maker's passion for origins. He might have chosen Elizabeth Fry or Florence Nightingale. I wish he had for I should like to have seen at least one woman's face in his portrait gallery. He might have chosen the late Lord Shaftesbury, and Plimsoll with his load line on ships is a worthy member of a fine company. But my window maker went very far back for his philanthropist, back to the 12th century and chose Rahere, who was prebendary of St. Paul's in those days. His man is scarcely known to-day except to those who interest themselves in the work of our hospitals. Yet he deserves his place in the list for he was the founder of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, the first of that widespread organisation which has done, since Rahere's day, more for suffering humanity than any other form of philanthropy. Rahere, and I wish we knew more about him, began a work which endures and doubtless, unless the love of our fellow men dies in our hearts, will endure.

The last on the list is a man whom I have ventured to call a representative or perhaps the patron of journalists, though publicist would perhaps be a better word. It is not a profession held in very high honour and it is a little surprising to find one who is concerned chiefly or wholly with the printed word in a list of worthies who have done great things for us. Ought a newspaper man to find a place among bishops, admirals, poets and so forth? Perhaps he ought if, as Bulwer Lytton supposed, the pen in certain circumstances, is "mightier than the sword." But his inclusion can be explained. I did not know the donor of the window and I do not know much about him now. But I am told that he was the owner, perhaps the editor, of one or more newspapers. That accounts for his inclusion of a man of his own profession. His action is justified by the man he chose—William Caxton. It would be straining the meaning of words to call him a journalist, or even a publicist, but he was certainly occupied in the business of spreading ideas by means of print, and except for him no journalist could exist. It is doubtful whether any one of our worthies, even the greatest of them, have had so much influence on our lives as he has. Indeed most of the others, though Drake very little, owe much of their fame and greatness to him.

Workers For Liberty.

There, then, is my new parlour game, interesting and amusing I hope. But it is something more. Go over my window list or any other list that you make. You will find the same characteristic in all of them. Every one of these worthies of England, or almost every one, has stood for liberty, liberty of thought, liberty of speech and liberty of common life. Some of them have fought for it. Some of them have striven for it in other ways. None of them could have attained greatness without it. Their lives would have been different, as ours would be, as the whole history of England would be, if it were not for the background of liberty. It has been in danger at times, but it has never been anything but supremely precious. These worthies are what they were; we are what we are; England is what it is; because liberty has always been preserved, as we, latest in the long list, must preserve it still.

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE ANNUITY

Mr. B. H. Foreman, who formerly carried on business at West Cliff-road, Ramsgate, has been granted an annuity of £10 by the Government in recognition of his "long and highly meritorious service" in the Army.

Now living at South Willesborough, Ashford, Mr. Foreman served with the 97th R.F.A. for 21 years, being stationed for some time in India. In the South African War he was awarded the D.C.M. for the part he played at the battle of Modder River, and was mentioned in despatches.

Retiring from the Army, he came to Ramsgate, where he was connected with Christ Church and St. Luke's Church, and in 1914 he re-joined the Army, being discharged with the rank of warrant officer after four years' service in the Great War.

Until his health broke down he was employed in connection with the War Graves Commission in France and Flanders.

SERVICES IN DEMAND

Ramsgate Borough Engineer (Mr. R. D. Brimmell) has been authorised to take all necessary steps to retain the services of Mr. J. Cotton, Chief Engineering Assistant in his department, who has been offered a commission in the Royal Engineers.

The Engineer reported to the Works Committee on the great difficulty which he is experiencing in carrying on with his existing staff and the difficulty in replacing Mr. Cotton if he should leave.

No action is to be taken to secure the deferment of service of the Borough Librarian (Mr. B. C. Darbey) who became liable for service on 1st June in consequence of the amendment of the Schedule of Reserved Occupations.

MINSTER'S SHORT SCHOOL HOURS

Minster Parish Council has received a letter from Mr. W. Loveday, local representative on Eastry Rural District School Management Committee, who was asked at the May meeting of the Council to take steps to secure permission for the village children to attend school for more than 45 minutes each a day.

The letter, which was read at Tuesday's Council meeting, stated "I am sure the managers of the schools would like to see the children at school for longer hours, but we are in an evacuation area where the schools are not allowed to function normally. The Kent Education Committee is alive to the situation and is anxious to help the children, but they have to conform with the instructions of the Government."

CORPORATION COAL SUPPLIES

Arrangements have been made whereby the full requirements of coal for Ramsgate Corporation Gas Department are to be supplied from Chislet Colliery.

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CURTAINS FOR CUBICLES

CONCESSION TO TUNNEL DWELLERS

As conditions in Ramsgate air raid tunnel shelters have improved considerably, a great degree of privacy is now to be permitted for those who use them.

The report of the A.R.P. Committee, presented at a meeting of the Town Council on Thursday, stated that the committee had given careful and sympathetic consideration to representations made to them against the enforcement of the rule prohibiting the use of curtaining in the doorways of cubicles in the main tunnel and in front of bunks in the narrow tunnels.

The prohibition of the use of curtaining, continues the report, was decided upon at a time when the cubicles and bunks were used both during night and day and at a time when oil stoves were being used.

In view of the fact that the cubicles and bunks are not now in use during the daytime, that ventilation has been improved and that oil stoves are prohibited, the objections to curtaining on the grounds of danger to health and danger from fire have been largely removed, and in the circumstances the committee recommended that curtaining of a type to be approved in each case be allowed upon condition that such curtaining is removed or drawn to one side in an approved manner upon request from a shelter warden, and when cubicles and bunks are not being used.

Women Wardens.

Since an increased establishment of shelter wardens has been authorised it has been suggested by the Ministry of Home Security that opportunity should be taken to appoint a proportion of women wardens.

One woman has already been appointed and the Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) is considering a second appointment.

The Ministry of Health have intimated that canteens might be proceeded with in the subsidiary tunnels if there is adequate space available and soakaways are provided as in the main tunnel.

The matter is being discussed in the first place with the officer of the Shelter Feeding branch of the Ministry of Food, who proposed to visit Ramsgate at an early date.

Mr. K. Jones has been asked to submit further details with regard to his objection to the tunnel regulations, in connection with which he has asked that a deputation should be received, and a petition submitted by persons using the Hereson School tunnel for sleeping purposes has been referred to the Chief Constable for his attention.

COMMUNAL FOOD

A.R.P. COMPLAINT REBUTTED

The Communal Feeding Committee of Ramsgate Town Council are satisfied that there is no justification for complaints regarding the quality of the food provided at St. George's Communal Centre.

Drawing the attention of the Communal Feeding Committee to complaints made by A.R.P. casualty personnel about the quality of the food, the A.R.P. Committee asked the committee to consider the possibility of providing facilities for personnel to obtain meals on Sundays.

Pending the receipt of a report from the Feeding Committee the A.R.P. Committee decided to defer consideration of a proposal to provide a canteen for the exclusive use of A.R.P. casualty personnel.

Reporting to the Town Council on Thursday that they found no justification for the complaints, the Communal Feeding Committee stated that it was proposed to open a communal feeding centre at Ellington School, which would be available for A.R.P. casualty personnel stationed in the neighbourhood.

The committee felt there was no need for the Communal Feeding Centre to be open on Sundays, and pointed out that in practice it had been found that many persons using the centre arranged to take away from the centre on Saturday the meal required for Sunday.

WHEN THE G.P.O. CLOSES

Ramsgate A.R.P. Committee have discussed generally the question of the local "alarm within the alert" and have had their attention drawn to the fact that during periods when enemy aircraft are in the vicinity the General Post Office is closed for business on instructions which have been given to the Postmaster by a superior authority.

"The committee feel strongly that this procedure is unnecessary and they have requested the Town Clerk to communicate their views to the Postmaster," stated the report of the committee, confirmed at a meeting of the Town Council on Thursday.

TRADES COUNCIL

AND COMMUNAL FEEDING

At the monthly meeting of the Isle of Thanet Trades' Council, held in Ramsgate, satisfaction was expressed at the proposal of the Ramsgate Communal Feeding Committee to adopt the suggestion made by the Trades Council to open a British Restaurant at Ellington School for the benefit of workers arriving home from their employment late in the day.

The secretary (Mr. D. M. Hughes) reported that Broadstairs Council had adopted a business-like attitude and had asked those who were desirous of obtaining late meals at the feeding centre to register. The result of the registration showed, however, that few people wished to take advantage of such a scheme, and the Trades Council agreed that evening opening of the centre would not be justified.

The Trades Council had been asked to supply the names of those who would use the Margate centre in the evenings, but that was obviously a step which should be taken by the feeding committee who were better able to obtain the opinions of the townspeople.

The secretary was instructed to send appropriate replies to the three feeding committees.

Reporting upon the War Weapons Week at Ramsgate, the secretary said the full support of the Trades Council was offered, and several useful suggestions were discussed.

Other matters which were discussed concerned the organisation of the A.F.S. section of the Fire Brigades' Union at Broadstairs, the disaffiliation of a Kent Trades Council as a result of its activities in connection with the People's Convention, and the effect of the Fire Prevention Order as it applied to particular trades. The secretary reported upon the implications of the Essential Works Order as it applied to the mining industry, and the chairman (Mr. F. W. Vousden) spoke of the Fire Watching tribunal and Food Control committees.

It was decided that owing to financial reasons a delegate should not attend the annual conference of Trades Councils which is being held in London.

COWBOYS AND MUSIC

DEANNA DURBIN AT ODEON

Deanna Durbin's successful new musical vehicle "Spring Parade," which has been described as her finest picture, is included in this week's programmes at the Odeon Theatre, Ramsgate.

To-day and to-morrow the screen is devoted to "The Trail of the Vigilantes," a rousing tale of the West. Franchot Tone and Peggy Moran provide the romance in this fast-moving story of ranchers, cowboys and outlaws. Mischa Auer, Warren William and Andy Devine are also in the cast, with Franchot Tone playing his first cowboy role.

Franchot Tone as Cowboy.

Also showing is "Hot Steel," a film depicting the life of men engaged in America's giant steel industry.

Returning to the screen in all her glory Deanna Durbin scores yet another success in her new picture "Spring Parade," booked for the latter part of the week. Set in Vienna, once the world's gayest city, the story is that of a young peasant girl who after winning a wager at a local fair, meets a corporal in the Army, falls in love with him and helps him to success with some of his musical compositions. The soldier is played by Robert Cummings, and others in the cast are Mischa Auer, Peggy Moran and Henry Stephenson. The music includes "Waltzing in the Clouds," "When April Sings" and "Blue Danube Dream."

Edmund Lowe and Margaret Lindsay find their "Honeymoon Deferred" in the mystery drama of that name which will also be shown.

RATIONED CLOTHES

TRADERS' PROBLEMS AIRED

"The customer is always right." But whether the customer will still claim infallibility since the introduction of the Government's rationing order for clothing and footwear is open to doubt.

The man behind the counter, at any rate, has already come across plenty of snags.

An opportunity for Ramsgate traders connected with the clothing and shoe industry to seek a clarification of the hundred and one petty problems that have arisen was provided at Clarendon House on Wednesday by the visit of Mr. H. C. Clarry, a representative of the Board of Trade, who is touring the district to explain the new rationing order.

Answering the various technical questions put forward by the traders, Mr. Clarry said the Board of Trade hoped in a short time to find solutions for the various difficulties. In the meantime local Chambers of Commerce would assist businessmen as far as possible.

Councillor A. R. Young, acting chairman of the local Chamber of Commerce, presided at the meeting, which was attended by about 30 traders.

Equal Distribution.

Briefly outlining the Consumer Rationing Order as it applied to traders, Mr. Clarry pointed out that the supply of clothing, footwear, cloth and wool to the civilian population had had to be drastically reduced. Rationing had been introduced in order to secure equal distribution to all purchasers, and unlike food rations, coupons could be used at any shop at any time. Clothing cards would be issued in August, replacing margarine coupons, and 20 of the 40 coupons in the clothing card could not be used before 1st January, 1942.

To avoid initial difficulties the retailer would be supplied with cloth without surrendering any coupons up to and including 28th June, and all other rationed goods would be supplied without the surrender of coupons before 21st June. The total quantity supplied to any retailer could not exceed the allowance represented by 10,000 coupons.

To buy or sell coupons, or to provide goods without coupons was an offence under the Defence Regulations and could be met by a fine or imprisonment.

No Splitting of Coupons.

Asked if traders could split coupons, where purchasers bought articles representing, for example, 1½ coupons, Mr. Clarry said that unless customers bought articles representing a complete number of coupons they would have to surrender the remaining fraction of a coupon.

The chairman suggested that it might be possible to arrange for a shopkeeper to hand the customer a voucher representing the fraction of a coupon, so that that fraction could be taken into account when the customer made a second purchase.

A trader said he had already sold an article representing half a coupon and the customer had purchased another article to complete the coupon.

Mr. Clarry told another inquiring trader that although hand knitting wool was rationed it appeared that rug wool was not affected.

A draper who asked whether curtain net was exempted, found that whereas sheets, tablecloths and curtains did not require coupons, cloth for the making of these household articles is affected by the Order, purchasers having to forego a specified number of coupons for each yard of material.

The question of providing clothing to members of the fighting forces was brought forward by a tailor, who was told that men in the ranks would not be able to purchase without giving up coupons. Officers, on the other hand, could purchase, and had to sign a shop bill to the effect that their purchases were for their own use. Clothing cards, it was explained, would shortly be issued to servicemen.

Shipwrecked Mariners.

Another question, applicable particularly to coastal towns, dealt with the supply at short notice of clothing to men rescued from shipping disasters. Without notice men were landed, many of them without clothes, and it was difficult to know what course to take.

Mr. Clarry said at present no provision had been made by the Board of Trade for those emergencies, but tailors could obtain vouchers or coupons from the local authority or the W.V.S.; some arrangement would possibly be made to cover those circumstances.

Following discussion during which it was pointed out that traders had difficulty in deciding what clothes would demand coupons when people purchased goods for children under four, owing to varying sizes, Mr. Clarry explained that if an article for a child under the age limit was previously exempt from Purchase Tax, no coupons need be surrendered. If that was not the case coupons would be required.

Other enquiries which Mr. Clarry was called upon to answer concerned the supply of knitting wool to women, the number of coupons required for different kinds of shoes, and the question "what is an unlined mackintosh?" which Mr. Clarry was unable to define.

Mr. Clarry stated that goods ordered before 1st June, when the Order was brought into force, were not affected by the scheme, unless they were delivered after 14th June. If delivery had not been made by 14th June but work had begun on the making of the articles the firm could not claim coupons.

He added that coupons intended for use during the year ending 1st June, 1942, could not be used after that date.

MARGATE BRIDE IN INDIA

After completing a hazardous sea voyage of 12,000 miles to join her fiancé in India, Miss Muriel Joan Hermitage, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hermitage, of Canterbury-road, Margate, was married at All Saints' Church, Bombay, on 22nd May, to Capt. Ifor Wyn-Pugh, of Dolgelly.

The bride, whose grandfather and uncle both held office as Mayor of Margate, is well known in local sporting and amateur theatrical circles. She has gained several awards for swimming and holds the Royal Life-Saving Society badge. A member of the nursing auxiliary, she rendered useful work when the men of the B.E.F. were landed at Margate during the evacuation of Dunkirk.

Capt. Wyn-Pugh and his bride have taken up residence at Craigdhu, Simla.

MOST EVENTFUL YEAR

MARGATE AMBULANCE RECORD

Although the motor ambulances were called out nearly 700 times last year, and notable work was carried out during the evacuation of Dunkirk, the funds of Margate Ambulance Corps showed a deficit of £100.

The Corps is entering on its 62nd year of service to the town and in spite of the many difficulties now being faced the work is to continue.

The statement of accounts submitted by the hon. secretary, Mr. W. S. L. Munns, at the annual meeting of the Corps, showed that as against a balance brought forward from the previous year of £12 5s. 1d. there was a deficit at the end of the 12 months of £19 16s. In addition they had used up £73 standing on the deposit account. The year's expenses totalled £539 16s. 8d.

In his report the Chief Officer, Mr. B. J. Garraway, said many strange things had happened on account of the war, and the prestige of the Corps had been put to the test many times. He was proud to say they had carried out their duties in a most satisfactory way. Three-quarters of the members had signed on for full-time work with the First Aid Parties but the few remaining carried on with their voluntary service. Alhough the numbers were small they were still maintaining a 24 hour service.

Memorable Period.

Referring to the arrival of British and Allied casualties from Dunkirk at Margate Jetty last May, which provided one of the most eventful weeks in the history of the Corps, Mr. Garraway said "All our members co-operated together with the First Aid Parties of the A.R.P., under the supervision of Dr. G. L. Brocklehurst and Mr. H. Keith Tucker. In the course of this memorable period no fewer than 500 stretcher cases were treated. We were all at work in those days and nights with practically no rest. The work consisted of going aboard the ships, which ranged from speed boats to destroyers, and fishing smacks to cross-channel steamers, rendering first aid, which was mostly treating hæmorrhage and compound fracture cases, conveying stretchers from ships to the Jetty, and transferring them to the ambulances which were waiting to convey them to hospital —a long and arduous task.

"This magnificent work was carried out expeditiously and with great tact. Every high officer of the Navy and Army who was connected with this removal expressed his appreciation for the way in which these patients were moved, and paid very high tribute to the Corps. Our nursing members, who had joined with the First Aid Parties of the A.R.P., did most excellent work during the period."

Mr. Garraway said that the usual work of the Corps had been very much restricted owing to the number of people who had left the town but during the year 703 cases were treated and the ambulances turned out 660 times.

Dr. E. J. Bradley, the vice-president, who presided, congratulated the Corps upon having such a fine Chief Officer as Mr. Garraway.

BUILDER'S BOY TO SHOWMAN

DEATH OF MR. E. P. MANCEY

From builder's boy to director of one of the most famous amusement parks in the country.

Such was the career of Mr. Edmund Percy Mancey, who died at his home, All Saints'-avenue, Margate, at the age of 75.

Beginning life as a builder's boy at Chiswick, Mr. Mancey later became apprenticed to a Thames boat builder. He made rapid progress and in 1896 became manager of a company experimenting with electric launches at Hampton.

Mr. Mancey became a Freeman of the Watermen and Lightermen Company and for some years was a Thames pilot. He personally superintended and carried out river trips for King Edward VII and King George V and Queen Mary (then Prince and Princess of Wales).

While at Hampton Mr. Mancey took an active interest in local affairs and held office as chairman of the Town Council.

Mr. Mancey entered the show business at the White City, where he superintended the launches at the great exhibition. Later he was in charge of the mountain railway, which was then the biggest in the country. Just before the last war he was one of the pioneers of the Blackpool illuminations.

When Mr. J. H. Iles took over the Hall-by-the-Sea at Margate from the late Lord George Sanger in 1919, Mr. Mancey came to Margate as his general manager. With Mr. Iles he constructed Dreamland Amusement Park, which became one of the most famous in the country. Mr. Mancey was subsequently made a director of the company.

A funeral service at St. John's Church on Thursday, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. D. V. Beckingham), preceded cremation at Charing.

The mourners were Mrs. Mancey (widow), Mr. L. Mancey (son), Miss Joan Mancey (daughter), Miss O. Sharp (niece), Mr. J. H. Iles and Mr. F. Cutting.

ZEALOUS WORK

COUNCIL THANK CHIEF CONSTABLE

Ramsgate Town Council in committee on Thursday decided to record their appreciation of the services performed by the Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) since they asked him to undertake the duties of Air Raid Precautions Officer in March, 1936.

It was pointed out that Mr. Butler, who undertook the work without payment, was responsible for the building up of the Ramsgate A.R.P. organisation and this entailed working far beyond normal hours.

The Council decided to place on record their high appreciation of the zealous manner in which he had carried out his duties.

The Council's appreciation will be conveyed to the Chief Constable.

As reported under a separate heading, Major H. J. Martin has now taken up his duties as A.R.P. Officer.

SECOND-LIEUT. DANIEL SAFE

His many friends will be pleased to hear that Second-Lieut. M. C. C. Daniel, former president of Ramsgate Rotary Club, who is on active service abroad, is reported safe.

AIR RAID RESCUES

RAMSGATE COMMENDATIONS

The outstanding conduct of two police officers and an auxiliary fireman during an air raid on Ramsgate in January has been recognised by commendations by His Majesty the King and the Regional Commissioner.

The officers concerned are:

Detective-Constable W. H. Ashby
Police-Constable F. Coughlan
Auxiliary Fireman F. H. Bastick.

Mr. Bastick has since left Ramsgate A.F.S. to join one of the fighting services.

The report of the A.R.P. Committee, presented at a meeting of the Town Council on Thursday, stated that a letter was submitted from the Ministry of Home Security stating that the attenion of the Minister had been drawn to the conduct of Auxiliary Fireman Bastick, of the Ramsgate Auxiliary Fire Service, when, in association with D/C W. H. Ashby, he assisted in effecting the rescue of four persons trapped in the basement of a house in Effingham-street, and that His Majesty had been graciously pleased to give orders for the publication of the names of both these men as having received an expression of commendation for their services.

The report of the Watch Committee stated that a letter had been received from the Regional Commissioner conveying commendation and appreciation of the services rendered by P/C Coughlan on the same day.

P/C Coughlan, observing the approach of hostile aircraft while on duty at the Market-place, succeeded in quickly clearing the main shopping centre and thus in all probability saving life.

The committee recommended that P/C Coughlan be highly commended for his prompt and resourceful conduct and that the offer of the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) to provide a commemorative gift for presentation to the officer be accepted.

The Mayor and the chairman of the Watch Committee (Councillor A. E. Petley) have been authorised to make arrangements for the purchase and presentation.

RAMSGATE WEAPONS WEEK COMPETITION WINNERS

Winners in the Ramsgate War Weapons Week savings competition were:

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MR. P. PRITCHARD,
Fire Station, Ramsgate.

A GALLANT FAMILY

RAMSGATE MAN WINS D.S.C.

Son of a Ramsgate man who lost his life when a local fishing vessel was sunk by the enemy in the last war, Mr. Victor Holness has been awarded the D.S.C. for his gallant conduct while serving with the Royal Navy.

Son of Mrs. A. E. Holness and the late Mr. T. J. Holness, formerly of Dane-crescent, Ramsgate, Mr. Victor Holness was skipper of a trawler at Hull when war broke out. Educated at Holy Trinity School, Ramsgate, he served with the Mercantile Marine during the last war, when he was engaged in conveying food to France.

His father was lost when the Ramsgate vessel Industry was sunk in 1914, and his brother, Mr. Albert Holness, was posthumously awarded the Military Medal for bravery while serving as a sergeant with the Royal West Kent Regiment in the Great War.

COWBOYS AND NAZIS

CONTRASTS AT KING'S

Two of the screen's most entertaining sagas, one grim, one gay, come to the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, this week.

For to-day and to-morrow the new Wesley Ruggles' picture "Arizona," heads the bill. With Jean Arthur, William Holden and Warren William heading the cast, the film is a spectacular adventure story of the Arizona desert. The action takes place in 1860, and includes some thrilling shots of a cattle stampede. Behind the adventures of the cowboys and their herds there is a tender romance introduced by Jean Arthur and William Holden. Miss Arthur, incidentally, plays the role of a tough cowgirl who frequently has to keep the menfolk in order. "Arizona" was directed by Wesley Ruggles, and the cast includes 2,500 "extras."

The programme strikes a sterner note during the latter part of the week, when the dramatic "Freedom Radio," story of the anti-Nazi wireless station which operates in Germany, will be screened. Clive Brook and Diana Wynyard are re-united in the leading roles in which they depict German friends who join a group of patriots and run terrible risks in order to send their propaganda to all true Germans. Despite unceasing vigil the dreaded Gestapo fails to run the anti-Nazis to earth, and their escapes amaze the world.

"Cavalcade of Variety," which will also be shown, brings to the screen a host of favourite stage and radio stars.

SPECIAL CONSTABLE'S INJURY

The report of the Watch Committee, presented at a meeting of Ramsgate Town Council on Thursday, contained the following:

The Town Clerk reported further with regard to the payment of compensation to Special Constable Young, who was injured while on duty and the committee resolved that the matter be referred to the appropriate officers for further consideration.

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F.M. 278

A YEAR AGO

It was announced by the Government that the Thanet towns, in common with other coastal areas, had been scheduled as evacuation areas, and arrangements were made for the evacuation of schoolchildren. Local education staffs worked throughout the night preparing details of the evacuation, and at Ramsgate 3,386 children were registered; at Broadstairs 506, and at Margate 2,160. These figures represented over 70 per cent. of the school population. Children assembled at their schools for the last time to receive final instructions on Saturday and left by special trains on Sunday.

At the railway stations the children, neat and trim in their best clothes, provided a striking contrast to the men of the B.E.F., weary and unshaven, who had just got back from Dunkirk.

For the children it was the beginning of a novel journey to a new home. For the soldiers it was the end of a stage in a journey as perilous as man had ever been called upon to make.

As the trains loaded with children pulled out the youngsters cheered and waved to the soldiers, who raised weary arms in a return gesture of greeting and farewell.

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A Home Office order requiring all aliens to leave the coast affected over 200 people at Margate and 59 at Ramsgate, several of them shopkeepers.

25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

"There can be no doubt that the British Navy is slowly but surely winning the war, for Germany is being starved out." This, says Sir Cecil Hertslet, British Consul-General at Zurich, is the idea prevailing in Switzerland, and the one absorbing topic there is the blockade and "How long can Germany hold out?" She is supposed to be getting desperate and this must account for the Austrian drive in Italy and the mad slaughter at Verdun. The Swiss say it is now or never with Germany, and we have only to hold out and all will be well.

Lady Hertslet, mother of the Vicar of Ramsgate (the Rev. E. L. A. Hertslet) has received an interesting account of the arrival in Switzerland of 350 Englishmen who comprised the first batch of prisoners of war to be sent home from Germany. A number of French soldiers are also to be released.

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The Thanet Advertiser published a picture of Ramsgate's youngest soldier. He was Pte. A. Hammond-Howard, eldest son of Mrs. Howard, of Winstanley-crescent. Fifteen years of age, Pte. Howard enlisted in the Prince Consort's Own Rifle Brigade. Four times previously he had unsuccessfully attempted to join the Army.

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A public presentation is to be made to George Philpott, the brave 15-year-old boy who shielded his little sister Alice with his own body when bombs were falling near them during the air raid on Ramsgate on 19th March. The boy, who lives in Finsbury-road, has received a prayer-book from his fellow scholars at St. Luke's Bible Class, in addition to private gifts from people in other parts of the country, and he is now to be presented with a silver cup given by a lady in appreciation of his courage.

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Capt. Johnson, Chief Officer of Ramsgate Fire Brigade, appeals for men willing to become voluntary firemen, as the strength of the brigade has been depleted.

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The value of the official publicity bureau at Broadstairs was amply illustrated this week, when the calamitous news of the drowning of Lord Kitchener was released. Thanks to Dr. Brightman, chairman of the Council, Broadstairs people were not kept long in suspense for, with the assent of the Council, he had arranged for any official communication of first importance to be transmitted to Broadstairs through the most reliable news agency in the country. There were constant knots of people assembling at the Council Offices, and the existence of the system of announcing events of this character was highly justified.

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Corpl. H. C. Dawe, R.F.A., formerly a teacher at St. Peter's Boys' School, has been in action after being subjected for many hours to a furious enemy bombardment. He writes that he and his colleagues were congratulated by the colonel on the support they had given the infantry in an attack.

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The London Gazette announced the promotion to the rank of captain of Lieut. W. Sebag-Montefiore. Third son of Mr. and Mrs. Sebag-Montefiore, Capt. Montefiore was attached to the 5th Lancers.

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Thanet's Whitsuntide this year will be a strange holiday. Many shops will be closed, some will be open. At Ramsgate the entertainments contracts will be fulfilled, while at Broadstairs the engagement of a band has been cancelled. The question of patriotically abiding by the Government's request to postpone the holiday until August scarcely enters into the problem in Thanet, for it is not a munitions area and no dislocation of important industries is concerned.

THE 40'S REGISTER

Of the 300,000 men born between 1st January and 31st December, 1901, who registered for military service throughout the country on 31st May, 305 attended at the Ramsgate, Margate and Sandwich Exchanges.

Although they registered under the Military Service Act, the majority of the men will be posted to the A.F.S., police or civil defence services.

The number registering at Ramsgate was 144, at Margate 103 and at Sandwich 58.

50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

DISREGARD FOR LORD'S DAY

The Vicar of Ramsgate (the Rev. H. Bartram) wrote in the parish magazine: The growing disregard for the Lord's Day, which is a sad characteristic of the age in which we live, has for a long time past engaged the serious attention of very many in Ramsgate; and there is a widespread feeling that something ought to be done to check an evil so destructive to the spiritual and bodily welfare of the people. After much anxious and careful consideration it has been decided to hold a mass meeting of the inhabitants at Sanger's Amphitheatre on Thursday, 11th June. The Bishop of Dover will give an address on the observance of Lord's Day, and it is hoped that several important resolutions will be moved by prominent laymen of our town.

ON LOCAL BOARD 17 YEARS

Few men have worked so well and effectively for the good of Ramsgate as the late Alderman Charles Pearce. Born and bred in Thanet, his forefathers were also natives of the soil, and had always been a considerable stake in the hedge. A keen and energetic business man, Alderman Pearce was the only member who, up to the time of his death, had served continuously on the Local Board for 17 years. In all probability the aldermanic mantle of Mr. Pearce will fall upon the shoulders of either Councillor Burrows or Councillor Gwyn.

SUNBEAM LAUNCHED

On Thursday Messrs. Huggett and Slavin, of Margate, successfully launched the new pleasure steamer Sunbeam, which has been built at the top of King-street. Two traction engines were engaged and the unwieldy mass was dragged up Bath-hill and taken by Ethelbert-road, the Fort and Paradise-street to the Harbour, where she was floated.

QUARTERMASTER'S OFFENCE

TWICE FINED AT MARGATE

Borrowing a car, Q/M/S John Cyril Louis Cooke, of the Royal Artillery, drove to Margate, where he was stopped by a special constable who noticed that there was no Civil Defence notice on the windscreen.

At Margate police court on Wednesday Cooke was fined £1 for entering a Defence Area without a permit and £1 for driving without a license.

Special Constable Cutting said when he stopped Cooke and asked him why he had no permit he replied that he did not know it was necessary. He said he had borrowed the car for the evening from one of his men. He produced a driving license which expired in October, 1940, and a permit to drive an Army vehicle, which he said he thought covered him. On the windscreen of the car was a piece of paper on which the letters "W.D." were crudely painted.

The Chief Constable (Mr. W. Palmer) said the regulation restricting the use of cars was primarily brought about by the military authorities and was made known in all Army orders.

MERRY VOICES

FOSTER PARENT'S TRIBUTE TO MARGATE CHILDREN

"I don't deserve any thanks. The two little Margate girls—there were three at first—have been a great pleasure to me and my husband. We could not wish for pleasanter and happier children, and the sound of their merry voices takes us back several years to the time when our own children were young. I think the parents are very brave to part with their children to strangers."

This extract from a letter from a Staffordshire foster-parent was read by the chairman (Alderman W. C. Redman) at the June meeting of Margate Education Committee.

Such a letter, said Alderman Redman, should give confidence to Margate parents who were afraid to send their children away.

The chairman said that during the past six weeks three parcels of clothing for evacuated Margate children had been received from Singapore. They had been sent by former Margate people who had heard that clothing was needed. They were all good clothes and extremely useful.

EVACUATION ANNIVERSARY

The first anniversary of the evacuation of the schoolchildren from Ramsgate was observed on Whit-Sunday evening at Ramsgate Congregational Church, where the minister, the Rev. S. B. Green, based his address on children.

Sunday school officers took part in the commemoration and parents of evacuees were reminded by Mr. Green that they should pray for their boys and girls, their prayers being supported by deep personal Christian service.

The lesson was read by Mr. A. H. Warren, Miss K. Smith led the prayers, and Mr. H. H. Haworth, A.R.A.M., rendered an organ solo.

The service was conducted by Mr. H. F. Harman, church secretary, and the Misses F. Hazlewood and M. Muirhead, acted as offertory collectors.

The Rev. S. B. Green was also the preacher at the morning service, when Mrs. D. Boyden was at the organ.

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BROADSTAIRS

W.V.S. Whist.—Prizewinners at the whist drive held at Broadstairs W.V.S. Centre, High-street, last week, were Mrs. Gentles, Mrs. Currie, Mrs. Read, Mrs. Butt, and Mrs. Hardman.

Vicars Exchange.—The Rev. C. H. Bailey, Rector of Broadstairs, who will pay a ten-day visit to Stafford at the end of the month, hopes to visit as many Broadstairs evacuees as possible while he is in the reception area. During his absence Holy Trinity Church will be in charge of the Rev. G. R. Cook, Vicar of St. Chad's, Stafford, who has consented to the change of pulpits.

For Local Prisoners of War.—There is a steady increase in the number of subscribers to the Broadstairs and St. Peter's Prisoners of War fund, and during May penny a week contributions totalled £14 10s., the highest figure yet recorded. As cooking facilities will be reduced in prisoner of war camps because of warmer weather, contents of food parcels are to be revised and foodstuffs which require cooking will be replaced by other articles.

Whitsun Wedding.—The only Whitsuntide wedding at Broadstairs was that solemnised at the Parish Church of Miss Lena E. Morgan, of High-street, Broadstairs, and Mr. Arthur H. Johnson, of Carshalton, Surrey. Manageress of a confectionery business at Broadstairs for ten years the bride was given away by Mr. P. D. Jeffery and following the reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson left for their honeymoon. The bridegroom is serving in the R.A.F. The Rector (the Rev. C. H. Bailey) officiated, and Mr. F. Walker was the best man.

SAVING STOCK

MARGATE BLITZ SCHEME

A scheme for the salvage of stock in the event of a blitz was discussed at a meeting of traders presided over by the Mayor (Alderman G. P. Hoare) at Margate Town Hall last week.

The Mayor said that so far Margate had been spared but they never knew when an emergency might arise. He wanted all the traders to get together and co-operate in a scheme whereby, in the event of a blitz, they would all get together and lend a hand in salvaging the stocks of any of them who might be bombed out.

It was of national importance, said the Mayor, that stocks should be conserved to save shipping space and it was in the traders' own interests that such a scheme should be adopted. The Corporation would give the traders their full backing.

A committee elected to draw up the scheme includes Councillor E. G. Barrows and Messrs. W. L. Langston, F. J. Chiddention, H. T. Broderick, C. B. Hosking, A. E. Villette, G. Kirby, R. Barnes and E. E. Woodard.

CHILDREN'S SAVINGS POSTERS

A national poster competition for schools of all types is being planned by the National Savings Committee in view of the enormous interest aroused by local exhibitions of children's work such as that included in the Ramsgate War Weapons Week effort.

The posters considered best by local education authorities will, if the scheme is carried into effect, be sent to the National Savings Committee for display in a national exhibition.

NEWSAGENTS' DELIVERY CHARGE

In consonance with the policy adopted in other parts of the country, Ramsgate newsagents announce today that owing to greatly increased costs a charge of 1d. a week will be made for the delivery of newspapers and periodicals from the week beginning 22nd June.

Margate, Westgate and Birchington newsagents have been making a similar charge for delivery since 13th April.

Presiding at a meeting of the Star of the East Lodge, I.O.G.T., at Broadstairs, on Tuesday, Councillor B. J. Pearson, chairman of the Council, expressed his appreciation of the work which the lodge was doing, and the way in which it had contributed to the local Spitfire fund.

BLACK-OUT TO-DAY FROM 11.0 p.m. TILL 4.55 a.m.

WOMEN'S CHAT

THE QUEEN VISITS KITCHEN

Recently the Queen visited the Ministry of Food to inspect a demonstration on "Planning the Meat Ration."

In this demonstration dishes were shown for two weeks' menus for a family of four. In the first week the family had a Sunday joint which used up practically the whole of their 4s. ration. For the rest of the week, dishes were shown, some using vegetables only, and some very small amounts of unrationed meat, bacon etc.

In the second week, the meat ration was spread throughout the week.

The Queen was much interested in some of the dishes displayed which included Woolton pie, parsley pudding made from an old English recipe, black pudding hot-pot and a savoury dish of tripe in which no onions were used.

Her Majesty also inspected the Test Kitchen at the Ministry. She was shown the simple cooking utensils used, which are similar to those found in the average household. At the time of the Queen's visit, potato pastry was being made and it was explained that no fat was used in this recipe.

Here are two of the recipes which interested the Queen:

Black Pudding Hot Pot.

½ lb. black pudding
½ lb. carrots
½ lb. potatoes
2 tablespoons wheatmeal flour
1 tablespoon gravy powder
1 finely minced spring onion
1 teaspoon sage

Skin the pudding and cut into slices ½ inch thick. Slice the carrots and potatoes, and mix the flour and gravy powder.

Arrange the potatoes, carrots and black pudding in layers in a casserole, with potato at the bottom and as the top layer. Sprinkle in the onion and sage between the layers, cover with mixed gravy and put into a moderate oven, covered, for ¾ of an hour.

Potato Pastry.

8 ozs. hot mashed potato
4 ozs. self-raising flour
No fat
No liquid

Mash the boiled potatoes while hot and as soon as they are cool enough for your fingers to bear, rub the flour into them. Roll out at once. If the pastry is being used for a savoury, add a pinch of chopped parsley.

Bottling Fruit Without Sugar.

There is no need for an ounce of our precious home-grown fruit crop to be wasted. Housewives who have been unable to save enough sugar for jam can use one of these simple methods for bottling without sugar. Special bottling jars are not necessary. Think how useful a supply of bottled fruit will be next winter, for it is always possible to save enough sugar for stewing or pie-making. Just a word of advice. The fruit must be in good condition. It is a waste of time and money to bottle over-ripe or bruised fruit.

Pulping: Stew the fruit in a saucepan with only just enough water to prevent the pan from burning. While it is cooking, get your jars ready. Jars or bottles of any size or shape will do, but they must be **clean** and **hot**. Even beer bottles can be used for small fruit.

As soon as the fruit is cooked, pour it into the hot jars and seal **immediately** with a cork or any good seal. A simple and very effective one is to spread four circles of paper with home-made paste and press them down one by one on to the jar. See that the paper comes well down the outside of the jars.

Using Campden Tablets: This is another simple method, and requires no heat. Campden or fruit preserving tablets can be bought in 6d. packets at most chemists. Dissolve in cold water according to the directions—usually 2 to a pint. Pack your fresh fruit into your jars and bottles as before, pour in the solution until the fruit is well covered and seal as before. The solution will often take the colour out of the fruit, but this only means that it is doing its work. When the fruit is heated, most of the colour comes back. Before using the fruit, it must be cooked in a saucepan without a lid until all smell of the preservative has been boiled off, usually about 15 minutes.

This preservative is so good that it is not necessary to use all the fruit immediately the seal is broken.

Bottling in Water (oven method): Pack the fruit in the jars or bottles as tightly as possible without damaging it. Place in a moderate oven (about 250 f.) on an asbestos mat or piece of wood. Cover the jars with patty pans to prevent the fruit scorching. Leave in the oven until the fruit appears cooked and has shrunk a little. This usually takes from ¾ to 1 hour.

Then take the bottles out of the oven one at a time and place on a mat or folded newspaper. If you put them straight on to the floor they may crack. Have your kettle boiling in readiness and fill them to the brim with the **boiling** water. Seal at **once** with rounds of paper as before or with any other seal you prefer. Speed is important. Fill them with the water and seal them as quickly as possible after taking them out of the oven. For this reason be sure and only take one bottle out of the oven at a time. It is a good plan to tap the bottles before sealing, in order to expel any air bubbles which may be among the fruit.

RAMSGATE

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 3 Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

Immunisation.—A hundred and ninety Ramsgate children have completed their course of immunisation against diphtheria.

Births and Deaths.—Three boys and ten girls were born in Ramsgate during April. In the same month the deaths were registered of ten males and five females.

Things we are wanting to buy—Old Gold, Silver and Jewellery, Prism and Field glasses and we are willing to pay a good price—Prosser and Newbery, 46 Queen-street, Ramsgate.

Home Nursing.—From 1st January to 12th May, 1,207 visits were paid to 54 patients under the Home Nursing Service undertaken by Ramsgate A.R.P. Casualty Personnel, assisted by a Health Visitor.

Weapons Week Gifts.—Gifts to Ramsgate War Weapons Week, not previously acknowledged, include the proceeds of a darts competition organised by the Post Office staff, for which prizes were given by the Union of Post Office Workers, and the proceeds of a concert held at the British Legion Club.

Constable's Medal.—The Watch Committee of Ramsgate Town Council have recorded their high appreciation of the distinction attained by P/C Cradduck, a member of Ramsgate Borough Police Force now serving with the Royal Engineers in the Middle East, who, as first reported in the ADVERTISER & ECHO, has been awarded the Military Medal.

All meat offals, except ox skirt, are now de-rationed and can be sold free of coupons.

46 Years Service

MR. F. G. SALE RETIRING

Entering the service of Ramsgate Corporation at the age of 13½, Mr. Frederick G. Sale, secretary of the Gas and Water Department, is to retire on superannuation on 10th August on completion of 46½ years' service.

Mr. Sale, who has seen many changes and improvements in the gas and water undertaking since he was first associated with it, was appointed secretary in September, 1929.

The Gas and Water Committee have expressed their thanks and appreciation of Mr. Sale's long service with the department and have accepted his resignation with regret.

Mr. H. R. Hubbell, who has been deputy to Mr. Sale since 1929, is to be appointed secretary at a commencing salary of £375 per annum, rising by annual increments of £25 to £500 per annum.

Mr. Hubbell is 43 years of age and has been in the service of the department for 29 years.

The committee have also expressed their regret at the resignation, owing to ill-health, of Mr. H. P. Davis, who has been in the service of the department for 45½ years.

Another old servant, Mr. Percy Philip Thomas, who has seen 42 years' service, is to retire on 18th July.

Started on Guy Fawkes' Day.

Mr. Sale came to Ramsgate when he was six years of age and attended Christ Church School. It was on Guy Fawkes Day, 1894, that he entered the service of the Gas and Water Department as a junior. The offices were then in Hardres-street, facing down Sussex-street.

At that time Mr. William A. Vallon was engineer and Mr. George Cockburn secretary. Mr. Sale served under four engineers. Mr. T. N. Ritson followed Mr. Vallon in 1902 and served until 1907. Mr. William Thomson was then engineer until his death in 1921 and was succeeded by the present engineer, Mr. R. H. Ruthven. It is one of those strange coincidences that the last three engineers had been associated with the Kendal gas undertaking.

Mr. George Tucker followed Mr. Cockburn as secretary but he served for two years only and was succeeded by Mr. Sale in 1929.

Shortly after Mr. Ruthven's appointment the gas works were completely remodelled and modernised. The whole system of gas production was changed in order to meet the ever growing demand.

Increased work also necessitated drastic changes in the administrative side and the office work was "mechanised" in 1927.

Mr. Sale first attended meetings of the Gas and Water Committee in September, 1902, and has attended them ever since.

Coke Riots Recalled.

The most hectic time Mr. Sale has had during the period of his service was the week of the famous coke riots shortly after the last war.

It will be recalled that the Corporation sold some coke to a London firm for export to Denmark. Unfortunately the firm sent two German ships to take the cargo and that was the cause of the trouble.

"The engineer was away at the time," Mr. Sale told an ADVERTISER & ECHO reporter, "and I had to take charge. I got only six hours' sleep during the whole of that week. A gang of people surrounded the gas works on the first night and there were free fights with the police. The Chief Constable telephoned me to go to the offices and I had more or less to disguise myself in order to get through. I was the last one to go on the German ships to arrange the weights."

In 1913 Mr. Sale married Miss Hemstead, daughter of the late Mr. Wilfred Hemstead, who was twice chairman of Broadstairs Council. Mrs. Sale assisted her father considerably on the social side during his terms of office.

Mr. Sale played tennis every summer up to last year and is very fond of walking. He knows the British coastline better than most people for he has endeavoured to see the whole of it. He has already seen three-quarters and his many friends will wish him health and a return to more peaceful days in order that he can complete the remaining quarter during his well-earned retirement.

Back to Harness.

The report of the Gas and Water Committee, presented at a meeting of the Town Council on Thursday, stated that having regard to the serious reduction in the staff owing to members being called up, the Engineer and Manager had interviewed the National Service Officer and had had recommended to him Mr. A. P. Ghent. Mr. Ghent is at present living in retirement at Broadstairs but for 19 years was secretary of Sittingbourne Gas Co. and for four years secretary of the Dover and Deal Gas Cos. Mr. Ghent is 55 years of age.

The committee recommended that Mr. Ghent be engaged in the department in a temporary capacity at a salary of £5 10s. a week, the appointment to take effect as soon as can conveniently be arranged.

ADDITIONAL OFFICERS

Following decisions reached at a recent conference of Chief Officers of Fire Brigades application is to be made by Ramsgate Watch Committee for approval to the appointment of a Section Officer to carry out the duties of Water Officer, a Section Officer to carry out the work of preparing for accommodation and feeding arrangements for incoming personnel, and to act as rest camp officer, and a Patrol Officer to carry out the duties of Assistant Water Officer.

The Home Office have declined approval of the appointment of two additional Leading Firemen consequent on the increase in the number of first-line pumps.

"BACK FROM HOGSNORTON"

Alderman R. J. Mallam, who has been living away from the town for some time, took his seat on the aldermanic bench at Thursday's meeting of Ramsgate Town Council.

"I am sure we are glad to welcome Alderman Mallam, who has come from his retirement at Hogsnorton," said the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) who presided.

Another member, Councillor J. J. Costen, who is not often seen in Ramsgate, was also present at the meeting.

WEDDING OF MR. F. H. COBB

The wedding is announced to take place shortly at Wargrave, Berks, of Mr. Francis Harold Cobb, son of the late Mr. Francis Marsden Cobb, of Margate, and Mrs. Everell Scott-Turner, widow of Dr. Arthur Scott-Turner, of Anerley.

LOST ON CRUISER

RAMSGATE VICTIM OF CRETE BATTLE

A 22-year-old Ramsgate sailor who was rescued when H.M.S. Southampton was bombed in the Mediterranean earlier in the war, lost his life while serving aboard the cruiser Orion, which took part in the battle for Crete.

He is Stkr. Robert Arthur Stewart, fourth son of Mrs. E. Stewart, of 120 Southwood-road, who received the news of his death on Tuesday. An officer wrote expressing his sympathy

and appreciation of the high tradition of the Navy which Stkr. Stewart helped to maintain.

An old boy of St. Lawrence School, Stewart joined the Navy in 1938, and was aboard the Southampton when the King and Queen made their voyage to Canada.

When war broke out he was still a member of the ship's company and escaped unhurt when the Southampton was attacked by air at the Firth of Forth. The cruiser was afterwards stationed in the Mediterranean and was later abandoned after a bombing attack by enemy planes.

It was at that time that Stkr. Stewart was transferred to H.M.S. Orion.

OLD ST. GEORGIAN

MISSING IN GREECE

Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lloyd-Williams, of Duncan-road, Ramsgate, Pte. John Terence Lloyd-Williams, aged 23 years, whose wife and young son live at Sunnyside, Durlock, Minster, has been posted as missing in Greece.

Joining the R.A.O.C. about 15 months ago, Pte. Lloyd-Williams, an old boy of St. George's School, Ramsgate, was previously employed at a Minster laundry.

ART AMONG THE BOMBERS

One bomber station of the R.A.F. is justifiably proud of the collection of pictures and portraits in its mess.

The ante-room, dining-room, card-room and mess entrance remind the visitor of an art gallery. There are pictures everywhere. Most of them have been lent by their owner, who has turned over his home to the Red Cross. Others are the property of the Station Commander who is both a connoisseur and collector.

Nymphs look down on the officers while they dine; Royal and family portraits greet them as they enter the mess; and elsewhere copies of old masters hang beside modern landscapes, portraits, and paintings of fighter aircraft and bombers.

Two of the most valuable pictures are copies of Titian's "Venus and Adonis" and of a Velasquez "Venus." There is a Pellegrini painting of "Venus and Cupid" and a Bartolozzi of nymphs at the shrine of Mercury. Another painting after Titian is the "Rape of Europa." There is a 1736 portrait of General Wade in armour.

The 17th century English School is represented by portraits of Charles I—in slashed green dress and lace collar—and of Charles II in Garter robes.

There are also rare needlework pictures of Biblical and other subjects, worked in worsted and silk.

The card-room has the most varied collection. There are French landscape engravings, dated 1790, modern paintings and old masters, a large needlework picture and a delicately coloured example of the work of the Japanese artist Sesshu Oda. This last picture, "The God of Happiness Playing with Innocent Children," was presented to the mess by a Japanese officer who was attached for a short time to one of the station's squadrons.

FUNERAL OF MR. R. SUTTON

The funeral took place at St. Peter's on Saturday of Mr. Richard Sutton, of Lindenthorpe-road, Broadstairs, whose death at Ramsgate General Hospital was reported in our last issue.

Mr. Sutton, who had been in business as a grocer and wine and spirit merchant at Charlotte-street, Broadstairs, for over 30 years, was previously an assistant to the late Mr. T. Lawrence, of Charlotte-street. Seventy-three years of age, Mr. Sutton was predeceased by his wife a few years ago.

The Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith officiated at the interment.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR EGGS

If you want eggs after 30th June, when all retailers will receive supplies of home-produced eggs in accordance with their registered customers, it is essential that you should complete your registration by Saturday.

The counterfoil to be used is on the third spare page in the Ration Book (page 14 in the adult's Ration Book, and page 13 in the child's). It should be filled in by the customer and cut out by the retailer. The retailer's name and address must be entered in the bottom space on the inside of the back cover.

BIRCHINGTON

The Wrong Way.—Mrs. Lilian Elizabeth Read, caretaker of a house in Alpha-road, Birchington, was about to leave the premises when she noticed that one switch was down. Thinking that a light was burning upstairs she turned the switch up. Unfortunately it was a two-way switch and Mrs. Read was fined 10s. at Margate police court on Wednesday for permitting a light to show during the black-out.

Funeral of Mrs. Brockman.—The funeral took place at Birchington last week of Mrs. Ellen Brockman, of Crescent-road, who died at Ospringe, near Faversham, aged 94 years. A native of Birchington, Mrs. Brockman was the widow of the late Mr. J. E. Brockman who died 38 years previously, and until she left the district last year she was a regular worshipper at the Methodist Church. The service was conducted by the Rev. W. T. Sharpley, superintendent minister.

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Shell-Shocked Veteran Recommends 'ASPRO' to Nerve Sufferers

22 Sir Oswald Stoll Mansions, Fulham Road, London, S.W.6.
Dear Sirs,
I was a telephonist during the last war and came home suffering from shell shock through observation work, etc. In fact I was so bad I was discharged in April, 1918, with neurasthenia and receive a small disability pension for life. Now this war is raging it has upset me again but I stick to 'ASPROS', and get sound sleep, so waking up feeling fresh in the morning. I am getting on in years now but would like to recommend to all who suffer from nerves to carry 'ASPRO' about with them and take one or two when feeling down. They will soon buck up your spirits and make life, though hard, worth living.
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RED CROSS FLAGS

OVER £300 RAISED IN THANET

Thanet was not completely drained of money by the War Weapons Week efforts and some remained for charity the following week, when over £300 was raised by flag days in aid of the British Red Cross and St. John War Organisation.

At Ramsgate the sum of £112 10s. 6d. collected was, in fact, over £40 more than was raised for the same cause by a similar collection last October.

At Margate, Westgate and Birchington, where the collection was organised by the Mayoress, Mrs. G. P. Hoare, the sum of £135 11s. 8d. was contributed, and Minster and Monkton added £30 14s. 11d. to the total. At Broadstairs the collection, held later in the week, realised £39 8s. 6d.

RAMSGATE COLLECTIONS

At Ramsgate, where the flag day was organised by Councillor the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth, the sum of £13 15s. 3d. was taken in a collection at St. George's Church, and the individual collections were:

A.F.S. (Mr. Trowbridge), £1 11s. 1d.; A.F.S. (Mr. Tilbrook), 17s. 9d.; A.F.S. (Mr Hill), 19s. 4d.; A.F.S. (Ellington), £4 3s. 10d.; Mrs. Adams, £2 3s. 6d.; Miss Almond, 19s. 9d.; Miss Andrewes, £1 15s. 7d.; Miss J. Andrewes, £2 0s. 1d.; Anon., 7s. 5d.; Mrs. Apps, 1s. 6d.; Miss Berry, 17s. 9d.; Mrs. Bishop, £1 5s. 8d.; Miss Bracey, £1 13s. 8d.; Mr. Britton, £2 14s.; Mr. H. P. Britton, £1 16s. 10d.; Miss Clutterbuck, £2 1s. 5d.; Mrs. Cole, £2 12s.;

Mr. Davies, 13s. 9d.; Mr. Dawson (Central Depot), F.A.P., £2 16s. 9d.; Dewhurst Ltd., 16s. 6d.; Miss Elvin, 8s. 11d.; Miss Emptage, £2 8s. 10d.; Miss Fiddyment, £1 12s. 11d.; Mr. Fernall, 11s. 8d.; Mrs. Flowerdew, £1 1s. 9d.; Miss Foster, £1 5s. 6d.; Miss Gifford, £1 24s. 1d.; Mr. Green, 18s. 5d.; Mr. Hind, £1 10s. 7d.; Mrs. C. M. Hoad, £3; Miss Harmer, 14s. 7d.; Mrs. Halliday, 16s. 7d.; Jolly Farmer (Manston), 15s. 4d.; Mr. Kelly, 7s. 9d.; Mrs. Kirkaldie, £1 18s. 4d.; Mrs. Kevan, £1 11s. 2d.; Mr. Landray, 18s. 2d.; Miss Le Gallais, £1 11s. 7d.; Miss E. Lucas, 6s. 11d.;

Miss Merrick, 14s. 4d.; Miss Moyes, 10s. 11d.; Mrs. Muirhead, £1 10s. 7d.; Mrs. Norris, £1 11s. 3d.; Miss O. North, £1 18s. 1d.; Miss Pearce, 17s. 3d.; Miss Privett, 14s. 9d.; Miss Pugh, 19s. 1d.; Mrs. Quaife, £1 6s. 3d.; Ramsgate General Hospital, £10 14s. 2d.; Sharp's Dairy, 9s. 1d.; Mrs. Spencer, £4 14s. 7d.; Miss Spinner, 18s. 9d.; Miss Smith, £1 7s.; Mrs. Shelton, 16s. 7d.; Mrs. Targett, £2 19s. 5d.; Mrs. Todd, £4 17s. 3d.; Mrs. Venables, 6s. 8d.; Miss Wilson, 14s. 6d.; Miss Wilson, 13s. 6d.; Mr. Wing, £3 3s.

BROADSTAIRS FIGURES

At Broadstairs, where the flag day on Saturday was organised by Mrs. F. M. Saunders, commandant of the Broadstairs detachment of the British Red Cross Society, the collectors were:

Miss Allen, £3 14s. 10d.; Miss Evenden, £3 13s. 6½d.; Mrs. Goodson, £2 13s. 9d.; Miss Lupson, £2 3s. 8½d.; Miss Piggott, £3 1s. 1½d.; Miss Port, £1 11s. 8½d.; Mrs. Johnson, £1 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Shaw, £2 0s. 2½d.; Miss White, £1 6s. 10½d.; Miss Summers, £2 5s. 6d.; Miss Lawrence, £1 9s. 9½d.; Miss R. Allen, 12s. 3d.; Miss McNally, £1 1s. 1½d.; Miss Wigginton, 19s. 5d.; Miss Thwaites, £2 9s. 8½d.; Mrs. Shelley, £1 7s. 1½d.; Mrs. Clements, 8s. 4d.; Mrs. Redman, £1 17s. 8d.; Mrs. Fairhead, 13s. 10½d.; Miss Clarke, £1 13s. 11½d.; Miss Holton, 13s. 4½d.; Mrs. Hancock, £3 10s. 3½d.

Mothers Meet.—The Mothers' Unions connected with Holy Trinity, St. Peter's and St. Andrew's Churches met at St. Mary's Home, Stone-road, Broadstairs, on Monday, when they were addressed by Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth, wife of the Vicar of Ramsgate.

A SURPRISE COMING

MAN WHO EXPECTS A CHEQUE

"If you settle up as you promise no one will be more pleased than I—and no one more surprised," said the Court Collector (Mr. E. A. Knight) to Cecil Maurice Cayzer, of Hamilton-road, Sidcup, at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

Cayzer appeared on warrant for being £46 19s. in arrears under an order for the payment of £1 5s. a week to his wife and 2s. 6d. a week in respect of each of his two children.

Defendant told the magistrates he was negotiating for a loan of £30 and was expecting a cheque for £40 from South Africa. When he received the money he would pay right up and make a fresh start.

Mr. Knight said he had heard nothing from defendant since 9th March.

Defendant said he wrote to Mr. Knight on 2nd or 3rd April notifying him of his change of address.

Mr. Knight said he had received no such letter and no letters which he had written had been returned.

The case was adjourned for a month.

AUXILIARY FIREMAN BEREAVED

The funeral took place at St. Peter's on Thursday last of Mrs. Kathleen Eva Dormer, of 27 Green-lane, who died suddenly at Margate Hospital, aged 25 years.

Mrs. Dormer was the wife of Mr. D. Dormer, a member of Broadstairs A.F.S., who was at one time chauffeur to Sir Arrol Muir, of St. Peter's.

The service at St. Peter's Church was conducted by the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith. The mourners included the widower, relatives and friends, and a number of floral tributes were laid at the graveside.

WOMAN COUNCILLOR'S DEATH

The funeral took place at Leatherhead on Thursday of Miss Frances Maud Rice, for 12 years a member of Sandwich Town Council, who died earlier in the week aged 67 years.

Chairman of Sandwich Townswomen's Guild and secretary of the Sandwich Nursing Association, Miss Rice was also the representative of the Corporation on the North-East Kent Guardians Committee.

MARGATE

Headmaster's Special Service.—Mr. F. W. Boothroyd, headmaster of Pettman Central School, Margate, now at Cannock, has been released for special service at Dudley Technical Institute. At a meeting of Margate Education Committee the chairman (Alderman W. C. Redman) said representations were made to the committee to release Mr. Boothroyd for important work in connection with the war, and they were pleased to do so. It was hoped he would return to the school when his services were no longer required.

DISSATISFIED DISINFECTORS

Although Messrs. Atkins and Farley, disinfectors employed by Ramsgate Town Council, are dissatisfied with the decision of the Council upon their application for a total war wage advance of 8s. per week, the Public Health Committee have decided to adhere to their previous decision.

MINSTER

No Vacant Allotments.—Following a request by the Kent War Agriculture Executive Committee to secure the maximum food production from gardens and allotments, the clerk (Mr. R. C. Young) reported to Minster Parish Council on Tuesday that there are no vacant allotments in the village.

Present.—Members present at the June meeting of Minster Parish Council, held in the Schoolroom on Tuesday, were Councillors G. M. Norton (chairman), Mrs. F. K. Harris, C. Beerling, E. Spanton, H. Butcher, T. Webb, C. Harlow, R. G. Terry, the Rev. T. Keniry, the Rev. A. W. MacMichael, and the clerk, Mr. R. C. Young.

Red Cross Collections.—Including £5 contributed by the Entertainments Committee, the sum of £25 0s. 11d. was raised for the Red Cross and St. John War Organisation by the flag day held at Minster. The individual collectors were: Miss Wellard, £3 10s.; Miss M. Vousden, £3 3s. 4d.; Mrs. Shersby, £3 1s. 5d.; Mrs. Worley, £2 15s. 7d.; Mrs. E. Lucas, £2 4s. 9d.; Mrs. A. Card, £2 3s.; Mrs. A. Fright, £1 15s. 10d.; Miss Player, £1 7s. At Monkton, where the collectors were Mrs. Long and Miss Williamson, the sum of £5 14s. was raised.

HOBBIES FOR A.R.P.

Ramsgate A.R.P. Committee have approved the principle that the personnel should occupy their spare time while on duty with some hobby, provided that in the opinion of the Medical Officer "the pursuit of such hobby does not impair the individual efficiency of the persons concerned or the efficiency of the depot."

Births, Marriages, Deaths

BIRTHS

Bush.—30th May, at 37 Bloomsbury-road, Ramsgate, the wife of Kenneth Bush, of a son.

MARRIAGES

Chilcott—Bennett.—4th June, at St. Lawrence Methodist Church, by the Rev. F. J. Bomford, Frederick Chilcott to Lilian, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Bennett, of Ramsgate.

Izard—Reynolds.—31st May, at Croydon, Sidney Izard, of Croydon, to Betty Florence Reynolds, of Margate.

Johnson—Morgan.—1st June, at Holy Trinity Church, Broadstairs, Arthur Herbert Johnson, R.A.F., to Lena Ellen Morgan, of Broadstairs.

Stead—Phillpott.—2nd June, at St. John's Church, Margate, Reginald Thomas Stead to Louise Mabel Phillpott, both of Margate.

DEATHS

Dormer.—2nd June, at Margate Hospital, Kathleen Eva Dormer, of 27 Green-lane, St. Peter's, aged 25 years.

Hayward.—6th June, at Rangoon, Burma, Allen William (Tom), aged 46, beloved husband of Barbara Hayward (née Clancy).

Mancey.—31st May, at 40 All Saints'-avenue, Margate, Edmund Percy Mancey, aged 75 years.

Partridge.—8th June, at Crawford-road, St. Peter's, George Edward Partridge, aged 62 years.

Stebbings.—In May, 1941, on active service with Middle East Forces, Hedley Peter Stebbings, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Stebbings.

Tomlin.—7th June, at Sylva, West Humble, Dorking, Surrey, Edith, widow of Latham Tomlin, of Dane Court, St. Peter's, aged 86 years.

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